

AbilityOne Congressional Champions



Becoming an AbilityOne[®] Congressional Champion may be the most important step a Member of Congress can take toward effective representation of their constituents who are blind or have significant disabilities. The AbilityOne Program provides employment opportunities through Federal contracts for nearly 40,000 people who are blind or have significant disabilities. Despite years of effort, nearly 70 percent of this population do not have jobs. Hundreds of Members of Congress have historically become AbilityOne Champions. Join the more than 160 current Members of Congress by becoming an AbilityOne Champion today.

Every AbilityOne Congressional Champion completes a four-step process:



1. Meet with representatives from an AbilityOne agency at the member's district or Washington, D.C. office.



3. Support the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act by using AbilityOne products or services in the member's district or Washington, D.C. office.



2. Tour an AbilityOne agency's manufacturing or service contract site(s).



4. Voice support for the AbilityOne Program through a public communication, such as a press conference statement, Congressional Record statement, social media post, or a similar communication

SourceAmerica[®] and National Industries for the Blind (NIB) established the AbilityOne[®] Congressional Champions Program in 2002 to honor Representatives and Senators who have demonstrated a commitment to their constituents with disabilities and to the AbilityOne Program.

If you have questions, please contact the SourceAmerica Government Affairs Department at Advocacy@SourceAmerica.org.

AbilityOne Congressional Champions

There are currently 143 Congressional Champions, who are listed below by state:

Alabama

- Rep. Mo Brooks
- Rep. Mike D. Rogers

Alaska

- Rep. Don Young

Arizona

- Sen. Kyrsten Sinema
- Rep. Paul Gosar
- Rep. Raul Grijalva
- Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick
- Rep. Debbie Lesko
- Rep. David Schweikert
- Rep. Greg Stanton

Arkansas

- Sen. John Boozman
- Sen. Tom Cotton
- Rep. Steve Womack

California

- Sen. Dianne Feinstein
- Rep. Salud Carbajal
- Rep. Judy Chu
- Rep. Jared Huffman
- Rep. Doug LaMalfa
- Rep. Doris Matsui
- Rep. Tom McClintock
- Rep. Jimmy Panetta
- Rep. Scott Peters
- Rep. Adam B. Schiff
- Rep. Mike Thompson
- Rep. Juan Vargas

Colorado

- Rep. Diana DeGette

Delaware

- Sen. Thomas Carper

District of Columbia

- Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton

Florida

- Rep. Kathy Castor
- Rep. Bill Posey
- Rep. Daniel Webster

Georgia

- Rep. Rick Allen
- Rep. Sanford D. Bishop Jr.
- Rep. Earl “Buddy” Carter
- Rep. Drew Ferguson
- Rep. Jody Hice
- Rep. Hank Johnson
- Rep. Barry Loudermilk
- Rep. Austin Scott
- Rep. David Scott

Hawaii

- Sen. Mazie Hirono

Illinois

- Sen. Richard J. Durbin
- Rep. Rodney Davis
- Rep. Danny K. Davis
- Rep. Jan Schakowsky
- Rep. Brad Schneider

Indiana

- Sen. Todd Young
- Rep. Larry Bucshon
- Rep. André Carson
- Rep. Trey Hollingsworth

Iowa

- Sen. Charles E. Grassley

Kansas

- Sen. Jerry Moran
- Sen. Roger Marshall
- Rep. Ron Estes

Kentucky

- Rep. Harold Rogers
- Rep. John Yarmuth

Louisiana

- Sen. Bill Cassidy
- Sen. John Kennedy
- Rep. Garret Graves
- Rep. Mike Johnson
- Rep. Steve Scalise

Maine

- Sen. Susan Collins

Maryland

- Sen. Benjamin L. Cardin
- Rep. Steny H. Hoyer
- Rep. C.A. “Dutch” Ruppersberger

Massachusetts

- Sen. Edward J. Markey
- Sen. Elizabeth Warren
- Rep. William Keating
- Rep. Stephen F. Lynch
- Rep. Jim McGovern
- Rep. Seth Moulton
- Rep. Ayanna Pressley

Michigan

- Sen. Debbie Stabenow
- Rep. Jack Bergman
- Rep. John Moolenaar
- Rep. Fred Upton
- Rep. Tim Walberg

Minnesota

- Rep. Betty McCollum

Mississippi

- Sen. Roger Wicker
- Rep. Bennie Thompson

Missouri

- Rep. Emanuel Cleaver II
- Rep. Sam Graves
- Rep. Vicky Hartzler

Montana

- Sen. Jon Tester

Nebraska

- Rep. Donald Bacon

Nevada

- Sen. Jacky Rosen
- Rep. Steven Horsford
- Rep. Dina Titus

New Jersey

- Rep. Mikie Sherrill

New Mexico

- Sen. Martin Heinrich

New York

- Sen. Charles Schumer
- Rep. Brian Higgins
- Rep. Jerrold Nadler
- Rep. Paul Tonko

North Carolina

- Sen. Richard M. Burr
- Sen. Thom Tillis
- Rep. Alma Adams
- Rep. G. K. Butterfield
- Rep. Virginia Foxx
- Rep. Patrick T. McHenry
- Rep. David E. Price

North Dakota

- Sen. John Hoeven

Ohio

- Rep. Steve Chabot
- Rep. Warren Davidson
- Rep. Tim Ryan

Oklahoma

- Sen. James M. Inhofe
- Sen. James Lankford
- Rep. Tom Cole

Pennsylvania

- Rep. Glenn Thompson

Rhode Island

- Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse
- Rep. David Cicilline
- Rep. James Langevin

South Carolina

- Sen. Tim Scott
- Rep. James Clyburn
- Rep. Nancy Mace
- Rep. Tom Rice
- Rep. Joe Wilson

South Dakota

- Sen. John Thune

Texas

- Sen. John Cornyn
- Rep. Joaquin Castro
- Rep. Henry Cuellar
- Rep. Louie Gohmert
- Rep. Kay Granger
- Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson

Virginia

- Sen. Tim Kaine
- Sen. Mark Warner
- Rep. Don Beyer
- Rep. Gerald E. Connolly
- Rep. Elaine Luria
- Rep. Robert C. Scott
- Rep. Robert Wittman

Washington

- Sen. Maria Cantwell
- Sen. Patty Murray
- Rep. Derek Kilmer
- Rep. Rick Larsen
- Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers
- Rep. Adam Smith

Wisconsin

- Rep. Mike Gallagher
- Rep. Glenn Grothman
- Rep. Gwen Moore