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Task Force Movement Shares Positive Progress Report on Connecting Veterans with Jobs in Trucking, Cyber Security

Topline Successes Include Over 500 Veterans or Family Members Hired in Trucking and Cyber and Program Benefitting Afghan Interpreters

Task Force Established to Support President Biden's Trucking Action Plan

WASHINGTON - This week, Task Force Movement (TFM) for Trucking and Cybersecurity convened senior Federal officials as well as representatives from industry, education, labor, and non-profit sectors to provide updates on its efforts to connect transitioning service members, veterans, and their families with stable, good-paying, family sustaining jobs in the trucking and cyberspace sectors. TFM was established in response to the Biden-Harris Trucking Action Plan and launched on April 4 at the White House with President Biden, Secretary Buttigieg, and the Honorable Patrick J Murphy who now serves as Chairman of the TFM organization. Since it began its work, TFM has led convening sessions with 132 industry stakeholders from trucking and cyber security that have aided in reducing the strain on the supply chain. Employer partners have stepped in and advanced their hiring efforts to include transitioning service members, veterans, and military spouses. The Task Force also established a pilot program called "Operation Afghan Open Road" which connects Afghan Interpreters who worked alongside American troops with careers in the trucking industry, an overwhelming successful effort that received praise from Federal agency leaders from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Refugee Resettlement, U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), and U.S. Department of Transportation.

Task Force Movement was established as a an effort to support [President Biden's Trucking Action Plan](#) and was designed to provide opportunities for the veteran's community to serve their country once more while also earning a competitive salary and, for some, earning a new credential.

“President Biden’s leadership in addressing the supply change crisis and worker shortages in both trucking and cybersecurity has been instrumental to the TFM. TFM has already helped us connect literally hundreds of folks in the veteran community with good-paying jobs in trucking and cyber security,” **said Task Force Chairman Patrick J. Murphy.** “Thanks to the collaboration of over 132 private sector partners as well as the DoD, Department of Transportation, the Department of Veterans Affairs and others, we’ve been able to connect more than 1000 members of the veteran community and transitioning service members with jobs that not only earn their family a good living, but also help us meet critical workforce needs in both sectors.”

Moving forward, TFM partners and industry stakeholders plan to address the layers of issues that could potentially be impediments to scaling up career pathways for veterans and transitioning military personnel in critical workforce sectors. Issues inclusive to cost for training, finding the right employer fit, childcare needs, academic and vocational support for licensing and credentialing within industry specific platforms, all relevant issues for a transitioning service member and/or veterans success.

Operation Afghan Road

Task Force Movement’s Operation Afghan Road initiative is focused on providing scholarships and employment for recently displaced Afghan refugees who served heroically alongside the American Military.

Additional information regarding the Task Force is available on the organization’s [website](#).

<https://taskforcemovement.org/>

Task Force Movement, led by 32nd Army Under Secretary and former member of Congress Patrick J. Murphy was formed earlier this year in response to supply chain challenges in the trucking industry. Initially, the Task Force focused on connecting transitioning service members, veterans, and their family members with employment in the trucking industry. As a result of its success, TFM expanded its work to connect the same group of stakeholders with careers in cyber security.