



**LCI** is one of the largest employers of Americans who are blind or visually impaired (BVI). They manufacture over 2,000 products across America, and distribute and sell thousands more. Additionally, LCI operates 50 base supply centers serving US military service members with over 2 million products. This huge international company can trace its roots right back to North Carolina, to a 1936 project of a local Durham civic club to promote employment for people who are blind. The company began their 70 year business relationship with the US military in 1941! LCI is a stellar example of a North Carolina workforce development success story!

**MANUFACTURING** is where LCI started, and it remains a core part of their identity. They manufacture products ranging from mattresses and file folders to chemical light sticks. The company portfolio comprises over 2,000 unique products, supported by 7 facilities with over 750,000 square feet of space. All of it is dedicated to employing and empowering people who are blind or visually impaired.

**DISTRIBUTION** LCI created a distribution division in 2001 with two simple goals: increased access to AbilityOne products and employment opportunities for blind and visually impaired individuals. They now distribute over 4,800 products in two distribution centers in Durham, NC and Las Vegas, NV. LCI processes over 495,000 annual orders and 835,000 annual lines.

**TECH SERVICES** Nearly 20% of Americans live with a disability. As digital content becomes more ubiquitous, many of them are being left behind. That's where LCI comes in. Using many decades of experience working with employees with disabilities, LCI Tech offers a variety of consulting services for digital accessibility to help companies accelerate their productivity.

**RETAIL** LCI military supply stores bring AbilityOne products to military personnel and their families. Located on US military bases, their 50 supply stores bring over two million items to market for the Army, Navy, USAF, Marines, National Guard, and Homeland Security.

