

Force Protection Commodity Council

The Force Protection Commodity Council, part of the Enterprise Sourcing Group, is a cross-functional team utilizing strategic sourcing to bring value and cost efficiency to Air Force Force Protection procurement. The team includes functional experts from the ESG and the Headquarters Air Force Security Forces Center as well as subject matter experts from each Major Command. The MAJCOM representatives advise the team on the key force protection requirements for each MAJCOM and assist with new program implementations. The FPCC executes the Air Force Director of Security Forces and Secretary of the Air Force Acquisitions plan to strategically source force protection equipment for the enterprise.

History

The Air Force currently uses a tactical approach in purchasing force protection equipment and services. This approach is fragmented and does not leverage overall enterprise-wide buying power, resulting in multiple, decentralized processes and procurement strategies that increase overall costs for the Air Force. In many cases, the supporting processes are also inefficient and unresponsive for users. To overcome these obstacles, the Air Force Director of Security Forces and Secretary of the Air Force Acquisitions established the Force Protection Commodity Council in 2004.

Goals

The goals of the FPCC are to:

- Create enterprise-wide force protection sourcing strategies to lower the total cost of ownership
- Generate savings from more efficient business processes
- Create and maintain strategic supplier relationships
- Minimize supply chain cost through integration/collaboration
- Reduce procurement processing times

- Leverage forecasting data through collaboration

Industry Impact

Certain organizations will experience changes in the requirement process and may be asked to adjust their traditional business mindset. During this change, FPCC may need support in identifying requirements well in advance of the need date, and utilizing the negotiated contract vehicles that are ultimately awarded to ensure cost and manpower efficiencies.

The FPCC has identified several strategic sourcing



projects (known as “spirals”) that have been or will be initiated over the next several years.

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