



## Small Business Success Stories

Small Businesses Contracting with the U.S. Air  
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#### Small Business Provides Big Support to Operation Iraqi Freedom

Logenix International, headquartered in Springfield, Virginia, is a multifaceted logistics company that specializes in worldwide planning, implementation and shipping services. Logenix supported the Iraq war effort as a small business subcontractor under the Air Force Contract Augmentation Program (AFCAP), administered by the 325th Contracting Squadron at Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida. In support of and leading up to Operation Iraqi Freedom, Logenix operated virtually 24/7 for 4 months. During this time, it arranged for and completed the delivery of over 3,000 metric tons of equipment and humanitarian assistance via ocean and air. Twenty-six air charters, utilizing six different types of the world's largest aircraft, were completed to seven different Middle East locations. Logenix became the first logistics company in the United States to commercially charter the Antonov 225 (pictured here), the world's largest and heaviest aircraft. Logenix International is one of many Air Education and Training Command (AETC) small businesses meeting the challenges of our war fighters.

In a follow-up interview, Ron Cruse, President and CEO of Logenix said, "Everyone here, to a person, is very proud to be working with the Air Force on Iraqi Freedom. The whole sense that we are really doing something important for the future of our country and for the people of Iraq—that's what kept us going 24/7."

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