

Elizabeth O'Brien

Executive Director of Hiring Our Heroes

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Elizabeth O'Brien is the Executive Director of Hiring Our Heroes, a program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation. In this role, she oversees public-private partnerships, strategic partnerships, and community engagement, that unites leading employers to create innovative workforce development solutions for the military community.

O'Brien is an accomplished, high-energy leader known for increasing productivity, driving, and maintaining operational results, and building national partnerships.

Prior to joining Hiring Our Heroes, she served as the Chief of Staff at TFX Capital, a venture capital firm that invests in service-driven, high-performing, and commercially tested former military and national security leaders. Charged with working across both TFX and its platform investments, to provide operational support to drive strong investments and robust performance she served as a vital extension of TFX investment operations in support of portfolio company founders.

Before joining TFX Capital, Liz served as CEO of Freedom Learning Group (FLG), a content services provider, backed by Achieve Partners, that is powered by a global remote network of military spouses and veterans. FLG intentionally built pathways for learning and earning, working to close the military community's skills gap while creating a path to economic opportunity. She currently serves as Chairwoman of the board at Freedom Learning Group.

Earlier in her career, Liz served in significant leadership roles as a Senior Director of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Hiring Our Heroes and as Chairwoman for the U.S. Small Business Administration's Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs. Liz also spent over a decade coaching college basketball at the United States Military Academy at West Point, the University of Hawaii, and Hofstra University, where she learned to value the human element in driving success through a collaborative team environment.

As a Military Spouse, Liz sits on Military Spouse Jobs Advisory Council, in addition, she is actively involved with Hofstra University's Women in Leadership Advisory Board, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Small Business Council, the East Coast Women's Pro Golf Tour Advisory Council, and Tharros Advisory Council.

Liz is a graduate of Hofstra University's Zarb School of Business, where she played college basketball and soccer, and lives outside of Washington D.C. with her active-duty Army spouse and daughters.

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