

To summarize where things stand:

- I It appears you may be eligible for 2 Programs, U.S. Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP) Priority 2, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Humanitarian Parole (HP).

The State Department web page for USRAP is <https://www.state.gov/u-s-refugee-admissions-program-priority-2-designation-for-afghan-nationals/> and the Refugee Processing Center web site is <https://www.wraps-net.org/>. The page for the USCIS HP program is <https://www.uscis.gov/forms/explore-my-options/humanitarian-parole> .

- II P2 Program, U.S. Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP)

[Referrer's Employment Verification Statement for USRAP Afghan Referrals](#) from the State Department says that a US Government agency, US based NGO (Non Governmental Organization) or US based media organization has to refer you to the program. You didn't work for an NGO and you aren't a newspaper or TV reporter so, from the USRAP Verification Statement, it would seem that you are not eligible.

But, it doesn't make sense that reporters are eligible and men who actually built the sites from which US troops operated aren't. Posts in [Signal](#) in the "P1/P2" and "#AfghanAllies / Resettlement Aid" groups indicate that organizations other than NGOs and media companies can refer applicants too so the fact that you worked for Lockheed Martin is not something that would disqualify you from the P2 program.

The International Refugee Assistance Project also indicates that you are eligible in the section, "Who is eligible for the Afghan P-2 Program" in their article, "[Information for NGO and Media Employers of Afghans about the P-2 Refugee Program](#)".

Another wrinkle in your eligibility for P2 is whether or not you worked for a prime or sub-contractor. (The statement about that is at the bottom of [State Department web page for USRAP](#).) I'm fairly sure the company you worked for had a contract with the U.S. Army that was administered locally, and not through Lockheed Martin so even though the work you did was for a program run by Lockheed you worked for a company that was hired by the Army. They were a Prime Contractor, not a sub. If that is the case than you're OK in that respect.

Assuming you are indeed eligible, the following points and actions are to be considered:

a. Referral

Ideally a person's employer is the one who refers them for the P1 and P2 programs, although, as I just wrote, that is probably not necessarily required.

1 You could be referred by:

i. The **Zormat FOB Commander (Forward Operating Base) Commander**

He was a was US Army Captain, James E Chapman. I met him when I was on the FOB. My wife found his name from a [Stars and Stripes article](#).

Major Chris Liggitt was an Army platoon leader and he is helping Afghan refugees too. He and I have been unsuccessful in our attempts to get in touch with James Chapman.

Major Liggitt and I have both sent messages via LinkedIn to him without response although my message to him was only sent on November 26. Major Liggitt's was sent several weeks ago.

Messages to seven email addresses with the names “James Chapman” and “James E Chapman” were sent and no one has written back or called.

ii. **Mike Paris, Lockheed Site Lead**

If you sent him a Facebook friend request and he hasn't responded that's a clear indication that he doesn't want to help. Is it possible that you somehow didn't send the friend request to him?

2 The person who refers you to the program will be asked to provide:

(The following information is from Department of State document, “[Information for U.S.-Affiliated Afghan Nationals](#)”).

- i. An Employment Contract or equivalent document
- ii. Pay Stubs or equivalent evidence of employment during the claimed employment period
- iii. Documentation detailing the organization's work
- iv. Any other documentation that validate the applicant's employment

The only item of these that either the FOB Commander or the Lockheed Site lead will be able to provide will be the one about detailing the organization's work.

3 The applicant is supposed to provide to the referent:

- i. Documents to establish identity
passport; national ID (Tazkira); birth certificates
- ii. Documents to establish employment history
employment badges, employer affidavit

If you have anything other than the Certificate of Appreciation and the pictures of you on the site you should include what you have. Do you have the identification card they gave you to get through the gate at the FOB? Is there anything at all that you saved from the FOB or the US Army; maybe a business card or project notes, receipts of any kind? A description of the project is better than nothing particularly if you can remember details such as how many days it took, area of the site in square meters, the specific tasks that were accomplished or the equipment you used. The more detail you can remember and document about the project, the better. Other circumstances could be added to make the project description a narrative. You mentioned that the Lockheed crew provided sports equipment to you and your crew. That and any other similar details make the story compelling and complete. Did you know the names of any soldiers. How about the ones who looked at your ID at the ECP (Entry Check Point)? Provide descriptions, in the form of captions for the pictures of you on the site. A little about your life before and after the work day, especially if those details included what it was like to live in a war zone, would also add color that could increase your chances of being accepted for either the visa or Humanitarian Parole.

4 Completeness of the Application

The lack of information on your employment will make it difficult for those who are reviewing the application to establish whether you're worthy of the visa or parole. (The narrative about the site work could go a long way toward convincing the evaluator that you're deserving or not.)

b. Processing for the P2 Program

(The following points are all taken from the [Information for U.S.-Affiliated Afghan Nationals](#).)

1 Case processing is done in an eligible processing country. Processing is not feasible in Afghanistan,

Iran, North Korea, Syria, and Yemen.

- 2 You have to relocate to the processing country before refugee processing can occur
- 3 The United States is unable to provide protection or support to you while you await a decision on your refugee case.
- 4 You should follow procedures to register for international protection and assistance as a refugee with the government of the country you are in.
- 5 Case processing can take up to 12 to 14 months

Even if you qualify for the P-1 or P-2 program and travel outside of Afghanistan, there is no guarantee that you will be approved for resettlement to the United States.

A. Humanitarian Parole (HP)

Because of the threats on your life, I would think that you are eligible for Humanitarian parole. This program is through US Citizenship and Immigration Services in the Department of Homeland Security. Information on it is at the [Humanitarian Parole web page](#). Their page [Information for Afghan Nationals on Requests to USCIS for Humanitarian Parole](#) has data specifically for Afghans. The other nationalities served by the program include Haitians, Filipinos and Cubans.

a. Impediments

Fees. I haven't studied this but I looked into it far enough to see an \$85 "biometric services" fee and an application fee of \$575. A google search on the term "fees for Humanitarian Parole" shows organizations that are working on this and ways to have others pay it for you.

b. Sponsorship

Someone or some organization has to sponsor those who seek HP. A sponsor is an individual who agrees to provide financial support for the beneficiary of a parole application. There are settlement agencies for that too. Sponsors may only have to cover expenses for a few weeks.

c. Paperwork and Bureaucracy

There are a lot of forms to fill out and steps to take.

III Signal Groups

I have engaged people in two Signal groups; "P1/P2" and "#AfghanAllies / Resettlement Aid". You should read the questions that I've asked on your behalf and the responses. The people who have responded have knowledge of the subject and expertise. Some are lawyers. You can engage with them in the group and in DMs (direct messages). In chats, people can range broadly in what they discuss. Sometimes that's a distraction but often it's enlightening.

A. P1 /P2

- a. Nov 11 3:58pm with Michelle Austin, Kendra G, Jordon K, Mahdis Keshavarz, Em Ru, Jordan A Brunner, Esq., A Z Z
- b. Nov 26 10:56am with Shawn C, Rachel Peterson, Kendra G,

B. #AfghanAllies / Resettlement Aid

- a. Nov 18 5:20pm with Jeanne Biggs, Nasima, Jordan A Brunner, Esq, Brunner included several links in her comments that are useful.

IV Facebook

A. PTSD /PSST Alumni group

- a. You and I messaged Mike Paris.

You know about that. If we can enlist Chapman's help, Paris will probably tell him what you did for the program. If Chapman didn't know you, Paris is the person who can assure Chapman that you were there.

- b. I sent messages to the men that I could identify in the December 15, 2019 post

They were pictured with an overturned truck and on the fork truck. I asked each of them for the name of the FOB Commander. None responded. They were Mike Barbito, Tedd Hazuga, Lynn Weller, Mathew Killian, James Chester, Craig Tammy Likkon, Bob Perkins, Don Naylor, Ken Douglas, Jim Rix and Don Morgan.