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## Franchises that supply the government or public service organizations

by Kelly Horn

From the United States Navy to local school districts, several franchises are doing their part to provide for the government and public service organizations. Boston-based Amramp, America's leading low-cost, steel modular ramp system, is a perfect example. Available to rent or buy with no minimum size or rental period, Amramp's ramps have been used by Hurricane Katrina victims, the Embassy of Japan in Washington, D.C., the Ford House Office Building in the U.S. Senate and the United States Navy -- just to name a few.



Amramp Pictured is a 244 foot long ramp created by Amramp to help former United States Navy sailors re-board the USS John F. Kennedy for a traveling reunion.

As a part of Boston's worldwide Tall Ships event four summers ago, Amramp, which has a national network of more than 40 franchises serving approximately 36 states, was asked to construct a ramp that would allow thousands of sailors who had served for the United States Navy aboard USS John F. Kennedy to re-board for a traveling reunion. Since many of the sailors could no longer climb ladders to access the ship, which is wider than two football fields and as tall as a 23-story building, Amramp's services were necessary.



Amramp Julian Gordon, President and Founder

"The JFK ramp we created was 244 feet long, and to our knowledge, is far larger than any ramp ever installed -- and certainly larger than any ramp ever rented. The Navy was so pleased with Amramp's capability that they asked us to provide ramp access on the USS Ronald Regan carrier in Newport News, Va.," said Amramp's president and founder Julian Gordon. "The Navy now has the ability to open up any ship in the Navy for public access in any port in the U.S. with no minimum rental period and no minimum or maximum size limitation."

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