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Arnesha Barron

Arnesha Barron fuels up at Pilot Truck Stop in Lebanon, Tenn., at the end of June.

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Arnesha Barron keys in information for the load she was delivering in Lebanon, Tenn., at the end of June.

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Arnesha Barron

Arnesha Barron is leasing a truck that she eventually hopes to own.

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President Joe Biden delivers remarks on his "Trucking Action Plan" on the South Lawn of the White House in 2022.

President Joe Biden urges Americans to consider careers in trucking as he speaks about his "trucking action plan" on the South Lawn of the White House in April.

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Gitonna Smith.

Gitonna Smith, 32, was one of those who made the leap into trucking during the pandemic.

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Arnesha Barron waits in her truck.

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Arnesha Barron prepares to deliver her load to Lebanon, Tenn., on Monday June 26, 2023.

Arnesha Barron prepares to deliver her load to Lebanon, Tenn.

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