



National Able Network®

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**WHAT:** National Able Network, Inc., is a nonprofit agency working to serve families and communities by bringing together businesses and qualified job seekers of all ages, income and skill level.

**HOW:** At National Able Network, our mission is to help make careers happen. Each client receives personalized career supports that integrate career coaching, specialized training, and direct connections to the job market. Our programs are designed to assist jobseekers from all backgrounds, including the unemployed, career changers, military veterans, seniors, and aspiring IT professionals. Each year, National Able Network serves more than 76,000 individuals throughout Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Nebraska.

The agency directs its \$18 million in annual funding into client programs and services, which include:

- Best-Practice Job Readiness Training (3 languages)
- Specialized programs which help military veterans transfer their skills into the civilian workforce
- Senior Services division provides specialized assistance to job seekers over the age of 50
- Comprehensive one-stop centers and programs such as the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and Trade Adjustment Assistance
- Regional workforce strategies, including serving as the Board Executive for 10 counties throughout Southeast Indiana
- Technology-based Resource Centers for use in creating resumes, cover letters, or to conduct a job search in all offices
- Services to businesses including full assessment and analysis of current and future workforce needs, customized training options, and access to qualified job applicant pool
- Career transition and outplacement services
- Transitional and subsidized employment programs
- Sector-based training programs - IT Career Lab and Retail Career Lab
- CareerPlace and Executive Network Group, located in Barrington, Ill., assists their clients by providing job search skills training, coaching, and compassionate support in a safe, positive, high-energy environment

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**WHO:** Grace Powers currently serves as President and CEO of National Able Network and is responsible for the management of its three principal offices in the Chicago metropolitan area, as well as service locations around the country. Ms. Powers oversees a staff of 100 employees and works with an eleven-member Board of Directors.

National Able Network has a multicultural and multilingual professional staff and includes executive management, client services representatives, Able Career Institute® instructors, veterans' services specialists, and career counselors.

As a publicly and privately funded agency, National Able Network is supported by government agencies including:

- U.S. Department of Labor
- Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- Indiana Department of Workforce Development
- Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership
- City of Chicago, Department of Family and Support Services
- Illinois Department on Aging
- Indiana Region 9 Workforce Investment Board, Inc.
- Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs

and private funding partners such as:

- Wal-Mart Foundation
- AARP Foundation
- Robert R. McCormick Foundation – Chicago Tribune Charities
- Chicago Community Trust
- Bank of America
- Lloyd A. Fry Foundation
- United Way
- A private family foundation
- Leonard C. Goodman
- Northern Trust
- Silicon Valley Community Foundation
- JP Morgan Chase
- Dr. Scholl Foundation
- US Bank

**WHEN:** National Able Network was founded in Chicago in 1977 by a grant from The Chicago Community Trust and has experienced exponential growth throughout its almost 40-year history. Today, National Able Network has service locations across the U.S. and serves businesses in all major sectors and helps job seekers of all ages, skills and income levels.

**WHERE:** National Able Network has offices throughout the Chicago metropolitan area, Delaware, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska.

**National Able Network - Headquarters Office**

567 W. Lake Street, Suite 1150  
Chicago, IL 60601  
312-994-4200 | 855-994-8300

**Chicago Workforce Center**

1700 W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Chicago, IL 60608  
855-994-8300

**South Suburban Office – Prairie State College**

202 S. Halsted Street, Suite 148  
Chicago Heights, IL 60411  
708-709-7975

**North Suburban Office | Evanston Public Library**

1703 Orrington Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Evanston, IL 60201  
847-448-8649

**North Suburban Office | Oakton Community College**

7701 Lincoln Ave, Rm. A158  
Skokie, IL 60077  
847-376-7277

**CareerPlace & Executive Network Group**

600 Hart Road, Suite 118  
Barrington, IL 60010  
847-304-4157

**Wilmington, Delaware Branch Office**

300 East Lea Blvd.  
Wilmington, DE 19802  
855-994-8300

**Indianapolis Headquarters**

3737 N. Meridian Street, Suite 404  
Indianapolis, IN 46208  
317-396-7800

**Omaha, Nebraska Branch Office**

5752 Ames Ave, Suite 126  
Omaha, NE 68104  
855-994-8300

**Grand Island, Nebraska Branch Office**

203 East Stolley Park Road, Suite A  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
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**Urbandale, Iowa Branch Office**

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Urbandale, IA 50322  
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