

## NATIONAL ABLE NETWORK CHICAGO HEADQUARTERS

WHAT

National Able Network, Inc.®, a nonprofit employment and training agency with offices in five states, has a new Chicago Headquarters at the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) LEED\* Gold Certified building in Chicago's west loop area. National Able Network (Able) is the first nonprofit organization to lease space at the CTA headquarters building in Chicago.

WHERE

The Headquarters office of National Able Network is now located on the 11th floor of 567 W. Lake Street (between Jefferson and Clinton Streets) in Chicago. Conveniently located to public transportation, including the CTA and METRA, the new headquarters replaces the National Able Network location at 180 N. Wabash in Chicago (headquarters since 1989).

WHEN

The National Able Network staff will work out of the new Chicago Headquarters as of August 1, 2011.

HOW

More than 40 National Able Network employees will occupy the 21,770 square foot workspace on the 11th floor of the CTA building. The Chicago-based National Able Network Headquarters also features Able Career Institute (specialized training programs for back-to-work skill development) and Able Staffing Resources (provides temporary and temporary-to-permanent employment opportunities).

The CTA headquarters, which opened in 2004, is an Optimized Energy Star building which delivers numerous environmental benefits such as a "green roof" that covers 91 percent of its top surface to provide thermal insulation, reduce urban heat island effect and retain storm water runoff. In addition, the windows are constructed of low emissivity glass and equipped with horizontal blinds for solar control, while the majority of the office space receives natural light during the day.







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WHY

The new National Able Network Headquarters office features:

- Expanded number of conference facilities for collaboration with community partners;
- Enhanced computer-equipped training rooms with the latest IT capabilities to better serve job seekers;
- Public resource area with Internet access and employment resources;
- More consolidated and efficient workspace for National Able Network team members.

Job seekers can utilize the new National Able Network headquarters for a variety of services including complimentary job-readiness workshops (such as resume writing, interviewing, job search techniques, and career planning), mature worker resources, and referral services to assist with veteran needs, housing, parenting, counseling, and other supportive services.

WHO

National Able Network was founded in 1977 by a grant from The Chicago Community Trust. Since that time, Able has committed itself to designing and delivering successful, high-quality workforce development programs to a diverse group of job-seekers, including individuals with disabilities, ex-offenders, dislocated workers, single parent, youth, and older job-seekers, to help them eliminate barriers and achieve economic self-sufficiency. With offices in Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, National Able Network prepares today's communities to meet tomorrow's challenges by bringing together businesses and qualified job seekers of all ages, income, and employment levels.

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