



National Able Network®

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ABOUT NATIONAL ABLE NETWORK, INC.

National Able Network, Inc. is a leading non-profit organization specializing in providing employment counseling, training, and placement services for disadvantaged job seekers. 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.

KEY STATISTICS

- **76,000 job seekers** receive assistance from National Able Network each year
- Clients received an **average 19% average increase** in annual wages
- **85% of clients** enrolled in our programs **gain employment**
- On average, our clients **gain employment within just 17 weeks.** (*Nationally, more than half of unemployed job seekers have been looking for work for 52 weeks or longer.*)
- **1,500 Seniors** provide more than **800,000 working hours** at *hundreds* of community-based organizations in Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Nebraska each year
- We help between **300-400 job seekers each day** at our **Chicago Workforce Center** (*a proud partner of the American Job Center*), the largest and most comprehensive facility in Illinois
- **500 Military Veterans** receive civilian career transition services through our *Veterans Forward!* programming each year
- For **every \$1 invested** in our clients, **\$5.95 is contributed back** into the local economy
- Approximately **30% of our students** enrolled in IT Career Lab are **military veterans** (*IT Career Lab is GI Bill approved*)

WORKFORCE STRATEGIES

- Career Coaching
- Career preparation training
- Military-to-Civilian Career Transition
- Pre-vocational Training
- Vocational Training
- Workforce Centers
- Economic Development
- Strategic Partnerships

CORE PROGRAMS

- Adult Education/GED
- IT Career Lab (*Information Technology Careers*)
- JUMPSTART! (*Career Preparation Training*)
- On-the-job Training
- Trade Adjustment Assistance
- Senior Community Service Employment Program
- Veterans Forward
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act



EXPERTS

National Able Network's subject matter experts offer the latest views into local and national economic and employment developments.

Bridget Altenburg President & CEO	<p>Bridget Altenburg joined National Able Network in September 2013 as Chief Operating Officer and was appointed to President & CEO in April 2018. Ms. Altenburg is responsible for leading efforts in key areas of strategic growth including National Able Network's veterans programming, technology training, corporate relationships, and social enterprise.</p> <p>Ms. Altenburg's 18-year career includes experience in the non-profit and for-profit sectors as well as military service. Ms. Altenburg came to National Able Network from Chicago Cares, where she served as the Executive Director for almost three years. During her tenure at Chicago Cares, she helped revitalize the organization's programs, finances and staff. Prior to her work with Chicago Cares, Bridget directed the development, marketing and communications for the Academy for Urban School Leadership, Chicago's only teacher training and school turnaround organization, which was recognized by President Obama as a national model for education reform. Prior to her transition to the non-profit sector, Bridget worked on the executive staff at Bally Total Fitness to strengthen the company prior to its sale to Harbinger Capital.</p> <p>Ms. Altenburg began her career as an engineer officer in the US Army. In her first assignment, she deployed from Hanau, Germany with 34 soldiers to Bosnia to conduct engineering operations pursuant to and consistent with the Dayton Peace Accords of 1995. She returned to Bosnia the following year and was deployed a third time to Albania to support the air war in Kosovo in 1999.</p> <p>Ms. Altenburg earned a BS in Russian and French from the United States Military Academy at West Point and an MBA from Columbia Business School in New York.</p>
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