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WORKFORCE PROGRAM ENROLLING SENIORS DURING OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

*National Able Network is connecting mature workers with paid job training and placement resources*

Davenport, Iowa (May 2019) – National Able Network, a leading non-profit workforce development organization, in celebration of Older Americans Month, is inviting local seniors to apply for positions in its job training and placement program, the Senior Community Service Employment Program. The positions currently available are located in the following counties: Cedar County, Clinton County, Des Moines County, Jackson County, Lee County, Mahaska County, Marion County, Scott County, and Wapello County.

Each year, National Able Network partners with hundreds of local non-profit and municipal agencies to fill open positions by offering local seniors paid on-the-job training and placement. The positions give seniors the opportunity to work in their communities in various jobs at public libraries, food banks, municipal buildings, and more.

“We’re proud to work with older workers, whose experiences and unique set of skills are appreciated and nurtured to grow with non-profits across Iowa,” says Kristen Knobbe, National Able Network’s Iowa Program Manager, “During Older Americans Month, we’ve opened up capacity to provide even more opportunities to older workers in need.”

The SCSEP program participants not only get on-the-job training, but they are also partnered with a career coach who will work with them one-on-one to update their resume, create a LinkedIn profile, and even prepare for interviews. It is the only federal workforce program specifically targeted to unemployed people 55 and older who meet specific income requirements.

Joie Bentraz, who found full-time employment after participating in the program says, “Thanks to National Able Network I am not self-conscious about being an older worker.”

**About National Able Network**

National Able Network, Inc. is a leading non-profit organization specializing in providing career counseling, training, and placement services for disadvantaged job seekers of all ages and skill levels. By designing programs that are mission-driven and results-oriented, National Able Network is a leader in implementing workforce development strategies that strengthen local and national economies of scale. To that end, for every $1 invested in a National Able Network client, $5.95 is contributed back into the economy. National Able Network’s services for job seekers includes individualized short- and long-term career planning, nationally-recognized Job Readiness Training, access to wraparound services to meet basic needs, connections to post-secondary education and training, and job placement assistance. Each year, National Able Network provides career services to more than 75,000 individuals in Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, and Nebraska.

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