

NGEN Facts and News

March 2022

Calendar – 1st Qtr

March 8 and 9, TAA Training and Refresher - Virtual

March 23 – Washington DC Veteran Jobs Mission 10th Anniversary – panelists

March 25 – 27 – LA NG Association Mtg

2nd Qtr

April 8-9 IN NG State Association Mtg

April 20 – ASLC, Dallas TX

April 29 – 30, OR NG State Association Mtg

May 13 – 14, MS NG State Association Mtg

NGEN Facts

Employment News

Spring is in the Air!

The NGEN team is on the road. We're getting back out there and attending Yellow Ribbon Events, Hiring Events and trying to hit as many NG State Association Meetings as possible. Our NGEN advisors have opened up their booths at events to support NGEN, so if we're not physically there, one of our passionate advisors may have information on NGEN to share. If your state has an event coming up, let us know, we're happy to provide employment readiness tools or brief targeted job searches or how to ace that interview!

We kicked off March with NGEN Briefing sessions to the new TAAs. We welcomed over 100 new TAAs. In the coming months we'll be rolling out technical training to all the TAAs to provide them access to the Brassring system and its case management tools. More to come.

NGEN By the Numbers

We're starting March super strong. Over **185** candidates came into the system in the first week of March. At this rate, we'll triple our numbers from last year. The states with the most candidates coming into the system in February were **Louisiana, Texas, Georgia, Florida and Colorado!** This is outside of our Beyond the Yellow Ribbon partners who continue to exceed projections. North Carolina, Tennessee, California and Washington State have strong programs and we continue to work closely with our partners.

Meet the NGEN Team

Linda Lucas is the Asst Program Manager on the NGEN Team. Linda joined the team as a volunteer in 2019 and came on full time in June 2020. She's focused her outreach in the Pennsylvania and East coast regions but travels throughout the country to assist with onboarding our states and assisting with training.

Linda is actively involved in a community group CAMCRN (*Capital Area Military Connected Resource Network*) Community resources for our service members and their families.

Linda's husband is still currently serving fulltime in the Illinois Army National Guard as a Casualty Assistance Officer. She has recently retired from over 30 years' experience in state government, and previously volunteered with the Illinois Youth Program. Mrs. Lucas is very involved in her community theatre and has absolutely loved being promoted to a "Lolli" AKA grandma to her grandson Copper. Linda and her husband are

very involved with the Nonprofit Organization Gold Star Mission. It honors and supports Gold Star families by preserving memory of our Fallen Heroes through service to others in need. *Always Remember, Never Forget.*



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If you'd like to learn more about NGEN and the resources available to your state, please reach out to the email and numbers above.

Career Specialist (CS) Corner with Kelli Hogan khogan@casy.us CS Corner March 2022

It is almost Spring! I hope everyone is doing well. This month I wanted to highlight the importance of time management. Time is our most valuable currency. If you are looking for a job or haven't had the time to look for a job then spend this month making time by using a time blocking schedule to reach your goals. If your calendar is full due to other responsibilities, take it one day and one task at a time. Block the time every week to job search, another block for targeting your resume, another block for applying to the position. This is time consuming but scheduling it will increase your percentage of being successful in completing the tasks. For extra support and leads, start working with a Vet Jobs Career Specialist to assist you with job opportunities. On days you feel unmotivated, reach out to a colleague or friend for a coffee break. Networking is always a good idea and could lead to opportunities.

Time Blocking

<https://blog.rescuetime.com/time-blocking-101/>

<https://asana.com/resources/what-is-time-blocking>

<https://monday.com/blog/productivity/increase-your-productivity-with-time-blocking-a-step-by-step-guide/>

Training and Development – Spotlight

The Spotlights on ServiceNow this month. There's a new cohort beginning in June 2022. Don't wait, and check it out now. Our training link can be found here:

<https://vetjobs.com/training>

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NextGen reskill program

Looking to for a new career in tech?

This may be the perfect fit as you explore your career options. ServiceNow offers an intensive training program to upskill people into the ServiceNow ecosystem.



What is ServiceNow?

ServiceNow delivers digital workflows that create great experiences and unlock productivity. This is the future of work.

A virtual 12-week, 40hrs a week, training program for people pivoting into tech

The program is a combination of 5 ServiceNow instructor-led training classes, hands-on projects, and career skills training.

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- Interest in tech
- Computer and internet access

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