

# Careers and Business Relations News Brief

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CSAVR Careers and *Business Relations News Briefs* is a regular series covering The National Employment Team (NET) activities, business relations initiatives, media stories, business research initiatives, webinars, reports, conferences, and employment activities of interest to the membership.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**St. Patrick's Day** – on March 17<sup>th</sup> every year, millions of people around the world celebrate St. Patrick's Day. St. Patrick is the Patron St. of Ireland. This is a celebration of Irish history and culture. For all who are celebrating we hope that you enjoy your shamrocks, leprechauns, corned beef, soda bread and green beer.

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### National Updates

- Alert – Government shutdown averted
- CSAVR Spring Conference

### NET Updates

- Hyatt-NET-Singapore Delegation Meet
- CVS Success Story
- nTIDE: March Jobs Report
- Federal Hiring Events – National and State
- Homeland Security – VR/NET Information Session
- Recruitment – NET Partners: Homeland Security, Boeing and Travel Unity

### Articles of Interest

- Census Bureau Data Collection Begins – Economic Survey
- What is Behind the Section 504 Lawsuit in 17 States
- Disability Rights California Takes a Stand

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## NATIONAL UPDATES

**ALERT** - The Senate voted Friday afternoon to pass the House Republican-drafted bill to fund the government through September, avoiding a government shutdown. Passage of the bill means that lawmakers won't deal with funding the government again until the fall.

President has now signed the bill into law.

**CSAVR Spring Conference: April 4<sup>th</sup> – April 10<sup>th</sup> Bethesda Hyatt** - Building on our Successes: *Beyond the Buzz*

Thank you to all of you who submitted proposals for the concurrent sessions. We have filled all the sessions and look forward to having you join us in Bethesda. Below is an overview of the conference.

Note: Registration Ends April 1, 2025

You can find the updated agenda and other details [here \[csavr.org\]](https://csavr.org)

## Conference Overview:

- New Directors Orientation Friday April 4th and Saturday April 5th
- Directors Meeting Sunday AM April 6th
- CSAVR Business Meeting Sunday PM April 6th
- Conference Day Begins each morning at 9AM and ends at 4PM
- General Sessions in the morning with Concurrent sessions or Regional Meetings in the afternoon
- Monday, April 7th there is an evening Reception 6-8:00 PM
- Conference Ends Wednesday 11:45AM April 10th

## **NET UPDATES**

**Hyatt - NET Meeting with Singapore Delegation** - Thank you to our partners at the St. Louis Hyatt and Hands on Education for inviting Kathy to join a discussion with 15 members of a delegation from Singapore. They were interested in learning how we worked together to build a work-based training program and were able to move the model across the country. The delegation included 15 members from an [organization called MINDS \[minds.org.sg\]](#).

### **CVS Success Story [people.com]**

### **nTIDE: March 2025 Jobs Report - Employment for People with Disabilities**

The employment rate for people with disabilities saw a slight dip in February but continued to fluctuate around a steady plateau of approximately 37.5%. While these dips can trigger speculation about broader policy implications, nTIDE experts cautioned that it is premature to attribute changes to recent shifts in federal employment policies. The employment-to-population ratio for people with disabilities remained stable. nTIDE is issued by [Kessler Foundation \[u5cwe5cab.cc.rs6.net\]](#) and the [University of New Hampshire's Institute on Disability \[u5cwe5cab.cc.rs6.net\]](#)

[nTIDE March 2025 Jobs Report: Employment Rate for People with Disabilities Holds Steady at New Plateau, Despite February Dip | Kessler Foundation \[kesslerfoundation.org\]](#)

**Federal Hiring Events** - Despite multiple layoffs at the Federal level, there are still positions available. See the link below that outlines career/hiring events being hosted by our Federal partners at the national, state and local level. [USAJOBS - Events \[usajobs.gov\]](#)

**Homeland Security: US Customs and Border Protection Presentation to the NET - Nationwide Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies** - April 29<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m. -12:00 noon Pacific/12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Mountain/1:00-2:00 p.m. Central/2:00-3:00 p.m. Eastern.

**Recruitment NET Partners -**

Homeland Security - Intelligence Research Specialist: [USAJOBS - Job Announcement \[usajobs.gov\]](https://usajobs.gov)

Please share the following with any recent (within the last two years) graduates who might be interested in the field of intelligence.

[Boeing Recruitment \[jobs.boeing.com\]](https://jobs.boeing.com)

[Travel Unity: Senior Communications & Partnerships Manager \[idealists.org\]](https://idealists.org)

**ARTICLES OF INTEREST**

[Census Bureau: Annual Data Collection Begins \[census.gov\]](https://census.gov) - Our Annual Integrated Economic Survey (AIES) provides the only comprehensive national and subnational data on business revenues, expenses, and assets on an annual basis. It is designed to be easier for businesses to complete; provide better, more timely data; and boost efficiency.

[Update: What is Behind the Section 504 Lawsuits in 17 States \[msn.com\]](https://msn.com)

[Disability Rights California Takes a Stand \[disabilityrightsca.org\]](https://disabilityrightsca.org)