



### **Nominations open for Mark Sanders Award**

Nominations are now open for the 2019 Mark Sanders Award for Exceptional Service to Veterans, with special emphasis on Veterans with Significant Barriers to Employment.

The award will be presented during the Sixth Annual NASWA Veterans Conference, August 7-9, 2019, at The Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington DC.

This award is named in honor of Mark Sanders who, during his distinguished career with the California Employment Development Department and in leadership positions with the National Association of State Workforce Agencies, was untiring in his efforts to promote excellence in services to Disabled Veterans. It recognizes the efforts of an entire one-stop career center whose efforts to serve Veterans *go above and beyond* the scope of mandatory service provision. Last year's honoree was the Joint Base Lewis-McChord WorkSource Affiliate in Washington State.

Copies of the 2019 award criteria were sent to all NASWA member states, the District of Columbia, Guam and Puerto Rico, and the required submissions conference call was held Thursday, April 11. Completed nomination packets must be emailed to Lori Adams, NASWA Veterans Policy Director, at [ladams@naswa.org](mailto:ladams@naswa.org), by 6 p.m. ET Friday, May 24, 2019.