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News & Updates

Upgrading Iowa's State Firewall Platform

Integrating security measures is top-of-mind for all businesses, which also holds true for the ICN. A team of security professionals within the ICN's network operations division, recently completed a major project of upgrading the State Firewall to a new hardware platform with enhanced security capabilities.

[Learn About the State Firewall Benefits](#)

SYBAC Students Visit Capitol and Meet with State Leaders

High school students from across Iowa experienced the opportunity on Tuesday, April 12, to visit and tour the State Capitol in Des Moines, meet with government leadership, and have a one-on-one discussion with Governor Reynolds' Chief Operating Officer (COO) Taryn Frideres.

[Read SYBAC's School Year Wrap-up](#)

Apply Today to SYBAC

2022-23 SYBAC applications are being accepted.

The [Statewide Youth Broadband Advisory Council](#) (SYBAC) is a unique opportunity for high school students to research and discuss broadband and Internet topics, learn about Iowa technology companies, and discover technology careers. Meetings will take place monthly, throughout the school year, via video conference, teleconference, and/or in-person.

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Broadband News

[Iowa Students to Convert School Bus into STEM Class](#)

[Alliant Energy creates book to keep students interested in STEM](#)

[Rock Valley Ag Teacher Gets Grant To Help Teach About Drones](#)

[HSEMD recognizes National 911 Education Month and National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in April](#)

[Companies need to be curious about emerging technology, prepare for future of work](#)

[Infrastructure law to boost high-speed rural internet](#)

[Cyber Crime Is More Costly Than Ever — What Can Be Done?](#)

[FCC Chair: Broadband Maps Will Be 'Absolutely' Done in Fall](#)

[States Considering Range of Options to](#)

Business Services Telecom Sales Engineer

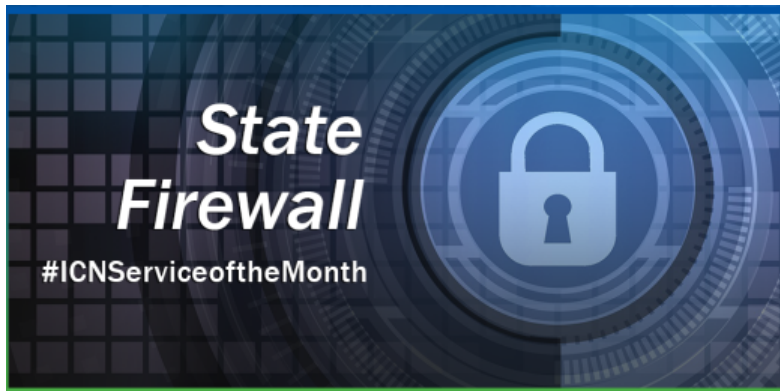
Customers will soon interact with ICN's newest Telecom Sales Engineer. Eric Porter joins ICN's Business Services team on April 29. He has worked with the ICN for 13 years. Prior to joining the ICN, he worked with Fiber Network Services.

Highlights from Social Media

ICN Industry of the Month: Public Safety



ICN Service of the Month: State Firewall



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