



SENEDIA will continue to share relevant COVID19 information with our members by separate email.

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Southern New England States' Reopening Plans

States have begun reopening in a phased approach after many ordered certain businesses and services to close in response to the coronavirus pandemic. For information and resources on Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island reopening plans, please go to each state's website:

CT: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus>

MA: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-massachusetts>

RI: <https://www.reopeningri.com/>

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About Us

In 2002, the Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA) was formed to identify, coordinate, and champion issues that contribute to our national security and provide benefit to our members, local communities, the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security, and other Federal agencies.

SENEDIA's vision is to be a catalyst for thought leadership and technical innovation in undersea technology, cybersecurity and other critical defense technologies. Our mission is to enable development of innovative technology,

Member Spotlight: GVI

What is your company's history?

[GVI](#) was founded in 1999 by Orville M. Brown and Matthew T. Hales to offer senior-level program and financial management services to SPAWAR Systems Center Charleston, Norfolk Virginia detachment. Since then, GVI has grown to more than 200 full-time employees with annual revenues of greater than \$16M, and an annual growth rate that has never fallen below 10%. In addition to continuous sales growth, GVI has received exceptional ratings from our customers in the Contractor Performance and Assessment Reporting System (CPARS).

In April 2002, GVI was certified by the U.S. Small Business Administration as an 8(a) small disadvantaged business, and in 2003 GVI was awarded its first prime Federal Government contract with SPAWAR Charleston, followed by the company's second prime contract in 2005 with NAVSEA Indian Head. GVI has since graduated from the 8(a) program

foster thought leadership, and facilitate required economic and workforce development.

SENEDIA is a 501(c)(6) corporate and individual membership organization. Our alliance maintains detailed knowledge of the industrial base that supports our local Federal, Defense and Homeland Security installations, and provides up-to-date information on Defense and Homeland Security industry issues and initiatives to our members, citizens, state and local governments, and Congressional delegations.

and is proving to be a successful small business.

After GVI's President Orville Brown unexpectedly passed away in 2007, the company completely reorganized and Mr. Brown's widow, Beverly, stepped in as President to oversee and manage all business aspects of the corporation, while Matthew Hales oversaw and managed the technical /customer end of the business. By 2016, the company was growing at a very fast rate, and not wanting to strain its infrastructure or employees, GVI's leadership realized a shift should be made. Later that year, GVI was acquired by a successful and tenured Alaska Native Corporation (ANC), Three Saints Bay, LLC. This enabled GVI to focus on its employees, customers, and service, and Three Saints Bay manages the shared resource of General & Administrative staff: accounting, contracts, communications, human resources, recruiting, and IT. The acquisition allowed Beverly Brown to retire, and GVI is now growing and thriving under the knowledgeable and passionate leadership of Matthew Hales as President.

What services and/or products does your company provide?

GVI, Inc. specializes in providing professional Systems Engineering and Logistics & Program Management services to government agencies and programs, as well as other government contracting companies. GVI has nine core business areas:

- Logistics Management
- Inventory, Warehouse Management, & Kitting
- Engineering / Depot Operations
- Financial, Contracts, & Process Management
- Program Management
- Quality Assurance
- Configuration Management
- IUID Marking, Tracking, & Support

With corporate headquarters in Virginia Beach, VA and our operations division in Manassas, VA, GVI has offices strategically located near concentrations of maritime activity and naval home ports including Middletown, RI; North Charleston, SC; and Upper Marlboro, MD.

Why do you consider membership in SENEDIA valuable?

SENEDIA provides the opportunity to stay informed of the drumbeat of all things happening at NUWC Division Newport. As a member of SENEDIA, we are exposed to technical presentations from NUWC leadership that not only provide thoughtful insight into NUWC but also the opportunity to network with industry leaders in the defense community.

**If a company wants to do business with yours,
whom should they contact?**

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Newport PTECH Student & SENEDIA Intern First to Graduate with Associate's degree in Cybersecurity

Colin McCabe is the first Rogers High School PTECH student to receive an associate's degree in cybersecurity through the Community College of Rhode Island while earning his high school degree. He graduates from CCRI in a virtual commencement on May 29, while the virtual Rogers graduation will be broadcast on June 4.

PTECH (Pathways in Technology Early College High School) is based in the Newport Area Career & Technical Center on the Rogers campus and was designed so that students have four-to-six years to earn both a high school degree and an associate's degree.

Besides his instructors in the program, he also thanked SENEDIA, a partner in the PTECH program, which provided the internship at McLaughlin Research Corporation through its Real Jobs RI Defense Industry Partnership. [Read more here.](#)

If your company would like to host a SENEDIA intern-cyber/IT, engineering, or business/supply chain- this spring and summer, please contact Townley Knudson at tknudson@senedia.org. SENEDIA has several great candidates.

Updates on Events

Rescheduled for a Later Date: Tech Talk with Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS): Understanding the Criticality of Protecting Our Technology

Rescheduled: Annual SENEDIA Golf Tournament

SENEDIA's Annual Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for Monday 26 October 2020 at Montaup Country Club.

SENEDIA 2021 Defense Innovation Days

We have set the dates for Defense Innovation Days 2021: 30 August-1 September 2021 at the Marriott Newport! Save the Date!

Due to the continuing COVID19 environment and restrictions on large group gatherings, the 2020 Defense Innovation Days has been cancelled.

**2020/2021 SENEDIA STEM Scholarship Opportunity
Deadline Extended**

SENEDIA is pleased to announce that we plan to award

a minimum of two \$1500 scholarships for the 2020/2021 academic year to students who are actively pursuing studies related to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) career paths. These areas of study are the backbone of the skills and experiences that are important elements in supporting the future of national security and the defense sector.

Student applicants must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of Southeastern New England (RI, MA, CT); entering their third year of study (or higher) in the 2020-2021 academic year; and a matriculating student enrolled in a STEM-related field at an accredited college or university located in the U.S.

The 2020-21 SENEDIA scholarship application is available on the [SENEDIA website \(www.SENEDIA.org\)](http://www.SENEDIA.org). The deadline for applications is now Friday, October 30, 2020. For more information, please contact Linda Larsen at llarsen@SENEDIA.org.

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