

Press Release

Alliance for Workplace Excellence Announces Annual Award Winners

AWE to Recognize 54 Businesses for Excellence in the Workplace on June 9th

Gaithersburg, MD, April 26, 2017: The Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) will host their Annual Awards Luncheon on June 9, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center. The event will honor the recipients of the 2017 AWE Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval, Health & Wellness Seal of Approval, EcoLeadership Award, and Diversity Champion Award. A total of 54 employers will be recognized for their exemplary commitment to building excellent places to work in Montgomery County and throughout the United States. The event is anticipated to have approximately 250 business executives in attendance, primarily from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

This year marks the 18th year that AWE will recognize excellence in the workplace. The 54 award winning companies represent organizations of all sizes and in all industry types from across the United States. AWE is proud to recognize:

- 47 companies with the 2017 AWE Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval
- 36 companies with the 2017 AWE Health & Wellness Seal of Approval
- 21 companies with the 2017 AWE EcoLeadership Award
- 12 companies with the 2017 AWE Diversity Champion Award

AWE is also proud to recognize three select employers for their exceptional commitment to providing *Best Practices Supporting Workers of All Abilities*. Those employers are: Discovery Communications, LLC., Marriott International, and Montgomery County Government. These organizations exhibit a workplace culture that is continuously supportive of a diverse and inclusive workforce, especially of workers of all abilities.

All award recipients undergo a rigorous assessment process led by an independent review panel of business professional and master's and Ph.D. level students in the fields of business, industrial and organizational psychology, human resources, environmental science, public health and diversity and inclusion.

The theme for this year's event is "Continued Care & Commitment to Workplace Excellence during Times of Change." AWE is excited to announce that Autria Godfrey, the Emmy Award winning news Anchor of Good Morning Washington and ABC7 News at Noon, will be the emcee of the event.

The event will also feature breakout sessions held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., prior to the luncheon. Additional details to be provided at: <http://excellentworkplace.org/events.html>. Additionally, the AWE Networking Café will be open from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for event guests to visit and network with colleagues. [This event is open for press coverage. If interested, please contact AWE by June 1st.]

About AWE:

The Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in 1999 by Montgomery County, MD and Discovery Communications. Over the past 18 years, AWE has been dedicated to empowering employers to build excellence in the workplace as a means of supporting the quality of life for employees, their families, and the community at-large. AWE is dedicated to increasing the number of excellent workplaces within the business community through education and recognition, as a means to enhance the quality of life of its citizens and empower economic growth.

For more information, please visit <http://www.excellentworkplace.org/>.

2017 AWE Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval Award Winners

Adventist HealthCare	Marriott International, Inc.
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
BDO USA, LLP	Montgomery County Government
Booz Allen Hamilton	MorganFranklin Consulting
Bowers+Kubota Consulting	National Recreation and Park Association
Calvert Health System	Nsight
Carroll Hospital	Optimal Networks
Cassaday & Company, Inc.	Ryan, LLC
CBIZ	Sakti3, Inc.
Cetrom	Sandy Spring Bank
Chaney Enterprises LP	SAPNS2
Chesapeake-Potomac Home Health Agency, Inc.	Smartronix
Chevo Consulting, LLC	Social & Scientific Systems, Inc.
CNSI	Soltesz, Inc.
College of Southern Maryland	The Emmes Corporation
Discovery Communications, LLC.	The Humane Society of the United States
Dynaxys LLC	The National Center for Children and Families
EveryMind.	United Educators
Family & Nursing Care	University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center
Family Services, Inc.	Vaco Richmond, LLC
Federal Realty Investment Trust	
HDR	
Holy Cross Health	
Honest Tea, Inc.	
Hughes Network Systems, LLC an Echostar Company	
iHire, LLC	
IntelliDyne, LLC	

2017 AWE Health & Wellness Seal of Approval Award Winners

Adventist HealthCare	iHire, LLC
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	IntelliDyne, LLC
BDO USA, LLP	Marriott International, Inc.
Booz Allen Hamilton	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
Bowers+Kubota Consulting	Montgomery County Government
Calvert Health System	Montgomery County Public Schools
Carroll Hospital	MorganFranklin Consulting
CBIZ	National Recreation and Park Association
Chaney Enterprises LP	Nsight
CNSI	Ryan, LLC
College of Southern Maryland	Smartronix
Discovery Communications, LLC.	Social & Scientific Systems, Inc.
Dynaxys LLC	The Emmes Corporation
Family Services, Inc.	The National Center for Children and Families
Federal Realty Investment Trust	Truth Initiative
HDR	United Educators
Holy Cross Health	University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center
Honest Tea, Inc.	
Hughes Network Systems, LLC an Echostar Company	

2017 AWE EcoLeadership Award Winners

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Honest Tea, Inc.
AstraZeneca and MedImmune	Hughes Network Systems, LLC an Echostar Company
Booz Allen Hamilton	Main Event Caterers
Calvert Health System	Marstel-Day, LLC
Carroll Hospital	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
Chaney Enterprises LP	Montgomery County Government
College of Southern Maryland	National Recreation and Park Association
Dynaxys LLC	Social & Scientific Systems, Inc.
Federal Realty Investment Trust	The Humane Society of the United States
HDR	
Hitachi Consulting Corporation	
Holy Cross Health	

2017 AWE Diversity Champion Award Winners

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Hughes Network Systems, LLC an Echostar Company
Carroll Hospital	Marriott International, Inc.
Discovery Communications, LLC.	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
Family Services, Inc.	Montgomery County Government
Holy Cross Health	Social & Scientific Systems, Inc.
Honest Tea, Inc.	The JBG Companies