

Press Release

Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) Announces Annual Award Winners

AWE to Recognize 44 Organizations for Excellence in the Workplace on June 7th

Gaithersburg, MD, April 30, 2019: The Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) will host their 20th annual awards celebration on Friday, June 7, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center. The event will honor the recipients of the 2019 AWE Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval, Health & Wellness Seal of Approval, EcoLeadership Award, and Diversity Champion Award. A total of 44 employers will be recognized for their exemplary commitment to building excellent places to work in Montgomery County, MD and throughout the United States. The event is anticipated to have approximately 200 business executives in attendance, primarily from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

This year marks the 20th year that AWE will recognize excellence in the workplace. The 44 award winning companies represent organizations of all sizes and all industry types from across the United States. AWE is proud to recognize:

- 38 companies with the 2019 AWE Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval
- 31 companies with the 2019 AWE Health & Wellness Seal of Approval
- 17 companies with the 2019 AWE EcoLeadership Award
- 8 companies with the 2019 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* and eight organizations for their *Best Practices Supporting Workers 50+*. These organizations exhibit a workplace culture that is continuously and comprehensively supportive of a diverse and inclusive workforce. A full list of all 2019 AWE award recipients is provided on pages 2 -3.

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

This year's awards celebration will focus on "*The Road to Excellence is Paved with Positive Engagement*". Educational and networking sessions will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., followed by a formal awards luncheon to honor all 44 recognized organizations from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. AWE is excited to announce Jessob Reisbeck, Good Morning Washington Anchor, as the emcee of the awards luncheon and Julie Ann Sullivan, Business Culture Expert and author of several books, as the keynote speaker.

Additional details available at: <https://www.excellentworkplace.org/events>. This event is open for press coverage. If interested, please contact AWE by May 31st.

About AWE:

The Alliance for Workplace Excellence (AWE) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in 1999 by Discovery Communications, Mental Health Association (now EveryMind.), and Montgomery County, MD. Over the past 20 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 devoted 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: <https://www.excellentworkplace.org/>.

Recipients of: **2019 AWE Workplace Excellence Seal of Approval**

Adventist HealthCare	Marriott International
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
AstraZeneca	Montgomery County Government
CBIZ	MorganFranklin Consulting, LLC
Central Florida Health	Novavax, Inc.
Cetrom	Optimal Networks, Inc.
Chaney Enterprises LP	QIAGEN
Chesapeake-Potomac Home Health Agency, Inc.	Ryan, LLC
Chevo Consulting, LLC	SAP NS2
CNSI	Sheppard Pratt Health System
Dynaxys LLC	Social & Scientific Systems
EchoStar Corporation and Hughes Network Systems, LLC	Soltesz, Inc.
EveryMind.	The Emmes Company, LLC
Family & Nursing Care	The Humane Society of the United States
Federal Realty Investment Trust	The National Center for Children and Families
HDR	Truth Initiative
Holy Cross Health	United Educators Management Company
iHire	University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center
IntelliDyne, LLC	Vaco Richmond, LLC

Recipients of: **2019 AWE Health & Wellness Seal of Approval**

Adventist HealthCare	Marriott International
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.	Montgomery County Government
AstraZeneca	Montgomery County Public Schools
CBIZ	MorganFranklin Consulting, LLC
Central Florida Health	Novavax, Inc.
Chaney Enterprises LP	QIAGEN
CNSI	Ryan, LLC
Council on Foreign Relations	Sheppard Pratt Health System

Dynaxys LLC	Social & Scientific Systems
EchoStar Corporation and Hughes Network Systems, LLC	The Emmes Company, LLC
Federal Realty Investment Trust	The National Center for Children and Families
HDR	Truth Initiative
Holy Cross Health	United Educators Management Company
iHire	University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center
IntelliDyne, LLC	

Recipients of: **2019 AWE EcoLeadership Award**

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Main Event Caterers
AstraZeneca	Marstel-Day, LLC
Chaney Enterprises LP	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
College of Southern Maryland	Montgomery County Government
Dynaxys LLC	QIAGEN
EchoStar Corporation and Hughes Network Systems, LLC	Social & Scientific Systems
Federal Realty Investment Trust	The Humane Society of the United States
HDR	University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center
Holy Cross Health	

Recipients of: **2019 AWE Diversity Champion Award**

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
EchoStar Corporation and Hughes Network Systems, LLC	Montgomery County Government
Holy Cross Health	QIAGEN
Marriott International	Social & Scientific Systems

Recipients of: **2019 AWE Certificate of Recognition: Best Practices Supporting Workers of All Abilities**

Holy Cross Health	Montgomery County Government
Marriott International	

Recipients of: **2019 AWE Certificate of Recognition: Best Practices Supporting Workers 50+**

CBIZ	Marriott International
Central Florida Health	Montgomery County Government
Chevo Consulting, LLC	QIAGEN
Holy Cross Health	Sheppard Pratt Health System