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**Chicago's Best and Brightest Companies to Work For<sup>®</sup> Announced  
By The National Association For Business Resources**

June 5, 2015, Warren, Mich. - Being named one of "Chicago's Best and Brightest Companies to Work For<sup>®</sup>" by the National Association for Business Resources (NABR) is a designation that hundreds of companies pursue. This year, the winners proved to be companies that deliver exceptional human resources practices. These winners will be honored at a symposium and awards celebration on Friday, July 10 2015 at the Oak Brook Marriot.

The Best and Brightest Companies to Work For<sup>®</sup> winners are pooled by the size of their company. All companies, no matter their size, can be a Best and Brightest Company to Work For<sup>®</sup> and as a result they build better business, create richer lives and grow stronger communities.

An independent research firm evaluates each company's entry based on key measures in various categories. They include Compensation, Benefits and Employee Solutions; Employee Enrichment, Engagement and Retention; Employee Education and Development; Recruitment, Selection and Orientation; Employee Achievement and Recognition; Communication and Shared Vision; Diversity and Inclusion; Work-Life Balance; Community Initiatives; Strategic Company Performance and the Best of the Best Small Business. (See the attached list of honorees.)

The winning companies also vie for 11 elite awards, one granted for each category. Also, an overall winner that excelled in all categories will be honored with a "Best of the Best Overall" award. The elite award winners will be announced during the luncheon. Judy Hsu from ABC 7 Chicago News and Pat Cassidy from WBBM-AM News Radio will emcee the awards ceremony.

The event starts at 8:00 a.m. with registration and a networking continental breakfast. The morning continues with a series of interactive educational sessions on human resource practices starting at 9:00 a.m., followed by the awards luncheon honoring all winners and announcement of the 12 elite winners.

This year's educational speakers include Tom Gimbel, *LaSalle Network*, Maria Coons, *Harper College*, Ron Wilkins, *Wilkins Fitness Corp*, and Denise W. Barreto, *Relationships Matter Now, LLC*.

"We are honored to recognize the efforts of this year's Best and Brightest companies. These companies have created impressive organizational value and business results through their policies and best practices in human resource management. This award is a powerful recruitment tool in the drive to attract and retain exceptional employees in the Chicagoland area," said Jennifer Kluge, NABR president.

Chicago's Best and Brightest Companies to Work For<sup>®</sup> is sponsored by ABC 7 Chicago, Assurance Agency, BASIC, Baudville, Clark Hill, CORP! Magazine, FONA International, IIT Center for Research and Service, Mutual Trust, Namely, Omron Automation and Safety, Take Down Eventures, TalentWise, The Executive Group, The Management Association of Illinois, The Orsus Group, True Partners Consulting, Verizon Wireless and Wilkins Solutions Enterprises.

Admission for the awards luncheon and symposium is \$265 for individuals and tables for 10 are \$2,500. If you are interested in attending the conference, contact the National Association for Business Resources at 866-321-1822 x 148 or visit [www.101bestandbrightest.com](http://www.101bestandbrightest.com).

*The "Best and Brightest Companies to Work For<sup>®</sup>", a program of the National Association for Business Resources is presented annually in several markets: Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Houston, Milwaukee, San Francisco and Nationally. Nominations are now being accepted. Visit [www.101bestandbrightest.com](http://www.101bestandbrightest.com) to obtain an application.*

## **Chicago's Best and Brightest Companies to Work For<sup>®</sup> 2015 Winners**

*Of the hundreds of nominations received, the companies listed below met the criteria as a "Best and Brightest Company to Work For<sup>®</sup>"*

Advanced Resources  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
ARCO/Murray National  
Construction Company  
Armour-Eckrich Meats LLC a  
Division of  
John Morrell Food Group  
ArrowStream, Inc.  
Aspire  
Assurance Agency, Ltd.  
Astronics Armstrong Aerospace  
BDO USA, LLP  
Bel Brands USA  
Bell Flavors & Fragrances  
Blue Plate Catering  
Bosch Rexroth Corporation  
BravoSolution  
Brilliant  
bswift  
Burwood Group, Inc.  
Call One  
Care Communications, Inc.  
Celergo LLC  
Century 21 Affiliated  
Comcast  
ContextMedia, Inc.  
Continental Automotive  
CTL Global, Inc.  
DialogTech  
Donlen Corporation  
Edlog Dairy Technologies  
EMKAY, Inc.  
Enesco, LLC  
Flexco  
FlexPrint, Inc.  
FONA International, Inc.

Geneca  
Getty Images  
Ghafari Associates, LLC  
Grand Prairie Services  
Greeley and Hansen  
Guardian Electric Manufacturing  
Company  
Health Resource Solutions  
HealthScape Advisors LLC  
Impact Networking, LLC  
Kaleidoscope  
KPMG LLP  
LaSalle Network  
Lyons Consulting Group  
Mattersight  
Maven Wave Partners  
McGladrey  
Milhouse Engineering and  
Construction, Inc.  
Mortenson Construction  
Mutual Trust Financial Group  
National Futures Association  
NCSA Athletic Recruiting  
Nitel  
NogginLabs, Inc.  
NOW Health Group, Inc.  
NVISIA  
Omron Automation and Safety  
OtterBase  
Pangea Properties  
Paylocity Corporation  
Plexus  
PowerReviews  
Protiviti Inc.  
PSC Group, LLC  
Red Frog Events

Redwood Logistics  
Resolution Media  
Rise Interactive  
Robbins Schwartz Nicholas Lifton  
& Taylor, Ltd.  
Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores,  
Inc.  
ServerCentral  
Shop Smart LLC  
Shure Incorporated  
Sikich LLP  
Skender Construction Company  
Slalom Consulting  
SoCore Energy  
Sonoma Partners, LLC  
Spot Trading LLC  
Starcom USA  
Stout Risius Ross, Inc.  
StratEx Partners  
SunCoke Energy  
SWC Technology Partners  
Takeda Pharmaceuticals  
Tasty Catering  
The James Chicago  
ThoughtWorks, Inc  
Thresholds  
Total Quality Logistics  
Tovar Snow Professionals, Inc.  
Trilogy Behavioral Healthcare  
True Partners Consulting LLC  
Turner Construction Company  
Vapor Bus International  
Verizon Wireless  
Wheels Inc.  
WOW! Internet Cable Phone  
Zeigler Auto Group

**Best & Brightest 50 or Less Employees**

3Red Trading  
Adage Technologies  
AIM Consulting Group, LLC  
Arrow Strategies  
Avant Communications  
Be Found Online  
Bosch Software Innovations Corp.  
City Staffing  
Clique Studios LLC  
Conway MacKenzie, Inc.  
Devbridge Group  
Flex-Weld, Inc.  
Framework Communications  
Fusion OEM  
Genesis Technologies  
GiveForward, Inc.  
Green Key Resources  
Harley Ellis Devereaux  
ID Media  
InRule Technology  
Instant Technology  
International Contractors, Inc.  
IT Supplies  
JumpForward  
Kforce

Kutchins, Robbins & Diamond, Ltd.  
Lake Forest Graduate School of Management  
Mavens Consulting, Inc.  
MotherG  
Navigate Research  
Nimlok Chicago  
One Chicago Inc.  
PBD Worldwide  
Pepper Group  
Prominence Advisors  
Punchkick Interactive  
Retrofit  
sales-i  
Sandstorm Design  
Savills Studley  
Service Express, Inc.  
Smart Resources, Inc.  
Social Deviant  
Swoon Technology Resources LLC  
The Carlson Group, Inc.  
The SMB Help Desk, Inc.  
The WFC Group  
TransTech IT Staffing  
Undertone  
UrbanBound  
Wine Sergi Insurance