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100 Best Employers Make Statewide List

St. Petersburg, FL (July 21, 2016) — The annual *Best Companies To Work For In Florida* list is featured in the August issue of *Florida Trend* magazine. One-hundred companies are ranked in small, medium and large employer categories.

To participate, companies or government entities had to employ at least 15 workers in Florida and have been in operation at least one year. Companies that chose to participate underwent an evaluation of their workplace policies, practices, philosophy, systems and demographics. The process also included a survey to measure employee satisfaction. The combined scores determined the top companies and the final ranking.

"The Best Companies find ways to make the workplace an easy place to be — at least one in five of this year's best companies has a game room or game table. Those companies understand the value of using games to build relationships among their employees, and also in promoting wellness. In addition, those gaming tables reflect another trend: Employers are investing in their office space," says Executive Editor Mark Howard.

"Top companies provide excellent pay, health insurance, 401k plans, and other "hard" benefits, but they also offer the leadership and communications that encourage employees to participate in the organization's overall success," says Florida Trend Publisher Andy Corty. "And to that long list, enjoyment options such as table tennis or other games bring energy to the enterprise."

The *Best Companies To Work For In Florida* program was created by *Florida Trend* and Best Companies Group and is endorsed by the HR Florida State Council. Best Companies Group managed the registration, survey and analysis and determined the final rankings. For a list of the 100 *Best Companies To Work For In Florida*, go to www.FloridaTrend.com/BestCompanies.

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