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**THE HEALTHY BUSINESS COUNCIL OF OHIO HONORS LOCAL EMPLOYER(S)**

The Healthy Business Council of Ohio (HBCO) will recognize 119 Ohio employers for healthy worksite practices during the [2022 In-Value-Able Conference Series](https://in-value-able.com/) in February 2022. Among the recipients being honored is INSERT YOUR BUSINESS NAME (OR NAMES, IF YOU’LL BE JOINTLY PUBLISHING THIS NEWS RELEASE WITH OTHER LOCAL RECIPIENTS).

The Healthy Worksite Award recognizes Ohio employers who demonstrate a commitment to employee wellness through comprehensive worksite health promotion and wellness programs. Applicants are scored on the extent their wellness programs facilitate and encourage employee health, enhance productivity and ensure a healthy work environment.

“In addition to celebrating the existing wellbeing efforts of Ohio worksites, this award is designed to support worksites in their efforts to advance their programs and offerings,” explained Award Chairperson, Annie Laurie Cadmus. “Annually, we offer a document that contains aggregate data of the results so worksites can utilize it to benchmark against their peers in the state and provide data to leadership about regional wellbeing trends.”

All applications were reviewed and evaluated using objective criteria. Four levels of high achievement were awarded in 2021 —Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. To celebrate the accomplishments of Ohio worksites and their efforts to pivot and adapt during the pandemic, a Pandemic Response Section was included in this year’s extensive award application.

INSERT A QUOTE FROM THE COORDINATOR OF YOUR BUSINESS’ WORKSITE WELLNESS PROGRAM AND/OR INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PROGRAM THAT YOU’RE PARTICULARLY PROUD OF.

The online award application is available to all Ohio-based worksites from mid-August through late October each year. While the 2021 application deadline has passed, the HBCO would like to encourage all worksites, large and small, public and private, for profit and nonprofit, to consider applying for the [Healthy Worksite Award](https://healthactioncouncil.org/HBCO/Healthy-Worksite-Awards) in 2022.

The awards ceremony will be offered virtually and in-person as part of the [Health Action Council’s 2022 Conference Series](https://in-value-able.com/) at the Cleveland event on February 24, 2021. Virtual attendance will be an option for participants who are not able to attend in-person. The symposium features national experts on wellbeing, resilience and health reform. The public is invited to register for this event at the [Health Action Council](https://in-value-able.com/conference/schedule/) website.

**2021 Award Winners**

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| **RECOGNIZED (1)** | **Award Level, Employer Size** |
| State and Federal Communications, Inc. | Recognized, Small |
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| **BRONZE (13)** | **Award Level, Employer Size** |
| Greater Cleveland RTA | Bronze, Large |
| The University of Toledo | Bronze, Large |
| Goodwill Easterseals Miami Valley | Bronze, Large |
| SOPREMA, Inc. | Bronze, Medium |
| Bennett Management Corp | Bronze, Medium |
| Famous Supply | Bronze, Medium |
| PICKAWAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS | Bronze, Small |
| Shultz Huber & Associates | Bronze, Small |
| Novagard | Bronze, Small |
| Gallagher Ohio | Bronze, Small |
| Homewood Corporation | Bronze, Small |
| Lake Shore Cryotronics Inc | Bronze, Small |
| CORS | Bronze, Small |
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| **SILVER (31)** | **Award Level, Employer Size** |
| Kimball Midwest | Silver, Large |
| ProVia  | Silver, Large |
| Hilliard City School | Silver, Large |
| AmTrust Financial | Silver, Large |
| Ohio Department of Health | Silver, Large |
| Dayton Children's Hospital | Silver, Large |
| Columbus State Community College | Silver, Large |
| University of Dayton | Silver, Large |
| Westfield | Silver, Large |
| Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority | Silver, Medium |
| Erie County | Silver, Medium |
| Rudolph Libbe Group | Silver, Medium |
| Foundation Software | Silver, Medium |
| The Wesley Communities | Silver, Medium |
| Ohio Public Employees Retirement System | Silver, Medium |
| Union County | Silver, Medium |
| Ashland University | Silver, Medium |
| NK PARTS INDUSTRIES INC | Silver, Medium |
| Hylant | Silver, Medium |
| City of Dublin | Silver, Medium |
| Wayne HealthCare | Silver, Medium |
| Vantage Aging | Silver, Small |
| Toledo Christian Schools | Silver, Small |
| City of Marysville | Silver, Small |
| HKM Direct Market Communications | Silver, Small |
| Lifebanc | Silver, Small |
| LifeCare Alliance | Silver, Small |
| Council on Rural Service Programs, Inc. | Silver, Small |
| Nichols Paper & Supply | Silver, Small |
| Beckett Air | Silver, Small |
| CEBCO | Silver, Small |
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| **GOLD (43)** | **Award Level, Employer Size** |
| Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center | Gold, Large |
| Cincinnati Public Schools | Gold, Large |
| County of Summit, Division of Employee Benefits - Executive Shapiro | Gold, Large |
| 84.51 | Gold, Large |
| Xavier University | Gold, Large |
| University Hospitals Health System | Gold, Large |
| Norplas Ind. | Gold, Large |
| City of Columbus | Gold, Large |
| Alliance Data | Gold, Large |
| Worthington Industries | Gold, Large |
| Kent State University | Gold, Large |
| Fifth Third Bank | Gold, Large |
| Dublin City Schools | Gold, Large |
| OhioHealth | Gold, Large |
| Youngstown State University | Gold, Large |
| Montgomery County | Gold, Large |
| Franklin County Cooperative | Gold, Large |
| Emerson | Gold, Large |
| Battelle | Gold, Large |
| Case Western Reserve University | Gold, Large |
| OCLC, Inc | Gold, Large |
| ms consultants, inc. | Gold, Medium |
| CITY OF MANSFIELD | Gold, Medium |
| City of Kettering | Gold, Medium |
| Cooper Farms | Gold, Medium |
| Rhinestahl Corporation | Gold, Medium |
| Germain Automotive Partnership | Gold, Medium |
| Equity Trust | Gold, Medium |
| Formica | Gold, Medium |
| Sandridge Food Corporation | Gold, Medium |
| GG Brands Company (Gorilla Glue) | Gold, Medium |
| Grand Lake Health System | Gold, Medium |
| CAW/M | Gold, Small |
| City of Toledo & Lucas County Wellness Program | Gold, Small |
| Clermont County Library | Gold, Small |
| Hamilton Caster | Gold, Small |
| Diamond Hill Capital Management, Inc. | Gold, Small |
| City of Medina | Gold, Small |
| MarshBerry | Gold, Small |
| School Outfitters, LLC | Gold, Small |
| RW Beckett Corporation | Gold, Small |
| Springfield Township | Gold, Small |
| Miami Township | Gold, Small |
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| **PLATINUM (31)** | **Award Level, Employer Size** |
| Akron Children's Hospital | Platinum, Large |
| TriHealth | Platinum, Large |
| City of Cincinnati | Platinum, Large |
| University of Cincinnati | Platinum, Large |
| Ohio University | Platinum, Large |
| Summa Health | Platinum, Large |
| Genesis Healthcare System | Platinum, Large |
| Hyland Software | Platinum, Large |
| Premier Health | Platinum, Large |
| Ashtabula County Medical Center | Platinum, Large |
| Columbus City Schools  | Platinum, Large |
| MetroHealth | Platinum, Large |
| Nationwide Children's Hospital | Platinum, Large |
| Nationwide Mutual Insurance, Co. | Platinum, Large |
| John Carroll University | Platinum, Medium |
| Fulton County Health Center | Platinum, Medium |
| Wood County Hospital | Platinum, Medium |
| SumiRiko Ohio, Inc. | Platinum, Medium |
| MolsonCoors | Platinum, Medium |
| Hitachi Astemo Ohio Manufacturing, Inc. | Platinum, Medium |
| Owens Corning | Platinum, Medium |
| Casto Management | Platinum, Small |
| City of Montgomery | Platinum, Small |
| The Employers' Association | Platinum, Small |
| Innovation Center Manufacturing - The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company | Platinum, Small |
| City of Mason | Platinum, Small |
| McGohan Brabender | Platinum, Small |
| Boxout health | Platinum, Small |
| Celina Insurance Group | Platinum, Small |
| ASM Global managed Greater Columbus Convention Center | Platinum, Small |
| Certified Angus Beef | Platinum, Small |