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*Employee Recognition
and
Service Awards Program*

MARCH 20, 2025

Welcome

We are delighted to celebrate the dedication, service, and achievements of our exceptional staff. Today's program honors those who have made a lasting impact through their commitment to excellence, leadership, and community service.

Program

Opening Remarks

Bruce E. Jarrell, MD, FACS

President

Introduction of Length of Service Award Recipients

Malika S. Monger, MPA, PHR

Chief Human Resources Officer and Associate Vice President

Lunch and Group Photos

Recognition of Staff Senators

Honoring Our Staff Award Nominees and Winners

Community Service Award Presentation

James T. Hill Scholarship Presentation

Employee of the Year Award Presentation

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all honorees for their outstanding contributions. Enjoy the celebration!

2025 EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION
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Special thanks to our schools and administrative areas for their support and participation with this 2025 Employee Recognition and Service Awards Celebration.

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40 Years

Jewell Benford

School of Medicine

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School of Pharmacy

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Office of Academic Affairs

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School of Medicine

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35 Years

Mary Bahr-Robertson

School of Medicine

Cecilia Frederick

School of Medicine

Howard Hamlin

Administration and Finance

Sylvia Huntley

School of Medicine

Lucky Jones

Administration and Finance

Lisa Kummer

School of Medicine

Phyllis Lovito

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School of Medicine

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Andrea O'Neill

School of Medicine

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Jennifer Ward

School of Medicine

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30 Years

Steven Deck

Administration and Finance

Judith Edelman

School of Medicine

Celeste Gerhart

Office of Academic Affairs

David Ingle

School of Medicine

Joanne Manning

School of Medicine

Towanda Sykes

School of Medicine

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25 Years

Sean Abad

Office of Philanthropy

Haiyan Chen

School of Medicine

Eric Arbach

School of Medicine

Lisa Chrisley

School of Medicine

Wendy Baysmore

School of Medicine

Averil Coleman-Beaufort

Administration and Finance

Dana Bell

School of Medicine

Arthur Crow

School of Medicine

Gary Benson

School of Medicine

Melinda David

Administration and Finance

Lykeshic Blackmon

Office of Academic Affairs

Jean Fyffe

School of Medicine

Tammy Bloss

School of Medicine

Michael Garant

School of Medicine

Diane Campbell

Administration and Finance

Bradley Gerhart

Office of Academic Affairs

James Camper

School of Dentistry

Evelyn Greenhill

Administration and Finance

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William Groh

Administration and Finance

Regina Harley

School of Medicine

Kristen Harris

Administration and Finance

Jamie Haskel

School of Social Work

Barbara Hunter

School of Pharmacy

Jennifer Jones

School of Medicine

Dong Lee

*Center for Information Technology
Services*

Andrea Lefever

School of Medicine

Yufan Li

School of Medicine

Jennifer Litchman

Office of External Relations

Xinrong Ma

School of Medicine

Jennifer Maloney

Administration and Finance

Stephen Mandes

School of Medicine

Cheryl Mayo

School of Medicine

Bruce Mealy

Administration and Finance

Marvin Melton

School of Medicine

Denise Mitchell

School of Medicine

Melissa Morland

Administration and Finance

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Tamiko Myles

School of Social Work

Michele Nance

Office of Academic Affairs

John O'Neill

Administration and Finance

David Overturf

School of Medicine

Kathryn Patterson

School of Social Work

Kristie Payne

School of Medicine

Heather Rebuck

School of Medicine

Roderic Reckley

*Center for Information
Technology Services*

Michael Rollor

Office of Research and Development

Jane Shaab

Office of Research and Development

Sonia Smith

School of Nursing

Matthew Swomley

*Center for Information
Technology Services*

Shannon Tucker

School of Pharmacy

Alison Watkins

Office of the Provost

Scott Wilhelm

Administration and Finance

Lucinda Young

School of Medicine

Lei Zhang

School of Medicine

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20 Years

Ronnie Adams

School of Medicine

Armentia Davis

School of Dentistry

Rebecca Bettes

Office of Research and Development

Jennifer DeRose

Office of the President

Julianne Bower

Office of External Relations

Nicole Dorsey-Whitehead

School of Pharmacy

Stephen Brown

*Center for Information
Technology Services*

Craig Drebing

School of Nursing

Jim Brown

Administration and Finance

Raymond Dudeck

Office of Academic Affairs

April Carter

Administration and Finance

Dinnise Felder

Office of Research and Development

Rebecca Ceraul

School of Pharmacy

Bill Gardiner

School of Nursing

Teresa Christian

Francis King Carey School of Law

Tellier Gross

Administration and Finance

Brian Coats

*Center for Information
Technology Services*

Lori Harris

School of Nursing

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20 Years

Pamela Hough

School of Medicine

Fleesie Hubbard

School of Medicine

Hazel Jones-Parker

School of Medicine

Jennifer Keperling

School of Medicine

Michael Khazan

School of Medicine

Soung Kim

Administration and Finance

Gail Knott

Office of Research and Development

Mark Lafferty

Office of Research and Development

Saithong Lee

School of Medicine

Hazel Lewis

Administration and Finance

Qiang Lin

School of Medicine

Nancy Lucas McDowell

School of Nursing

Susan McCarty

Francis King Carey School of Law

Tara McDonald

School of Medicine

Kevin McEachin

Administration and Finance

Karen McNamara

School of Medicine

Meka McNeal

School of Medicine

Mary Migliorini

School of Medicine

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20 Years

Ben O'Neill

School of Medicine

Abby Plusen

School of Medicine

Saifa Poole

Office of the President

Sharon Pugh

School of Medicine

Mahmood Qasim

*Center for Information
Technology Services*

XiuLan Qi

School of Medicine

John Raczek

*Center for Information
Technology Services*

Arthur Rose

Office of the President

Dana Royster

School of Medicine

Aunder Russell

Administration and Finance

Kelli Sattler

School of Medicine

Amy Scharmann

School of Medicine

Lisa Schumaker

School of Medicine

Shawnell Stokes

School of Medicine

Annette Tate

Administration and Finance

Larry Thornton

School of Medicine

Lisa Vuolo

Office of Philanthropy

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20 Years

Nicholas Wellnitz

Administration and Finance

Donna Williams-Bethke

School of Medicine

Youping Zhang

School of Dentistry

Ljubomir Zivkovic

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Technology Services*

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UMB STAFF SENATE 2024-2025

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Amanda Barnes
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Finance*

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Technology Services*

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School of Law*

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Finance*

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Technology Services*

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School of Pharmacy

Jenna Maher
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Fiamo Romero
School of Medicine

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School of Medicine

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Finance*

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School of Nursing

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School of Law*

Kelly Ward
*Administration and
Finance*

Christina Way
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Finance*

Anthony Weldon
School of Medicine

Lei Zhang
School of Medicine

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JAMES T. HILL SCHOLARSHIP NOMINEES

This scholarship reflects the University's dedication to staff development and lifelong learning. Established in honor of James T. Hill's distinguished service and unwavering commitment to the professional growth of UMB employees, this scholarship continues to support and empower staff in their career advancement.

Yourdanos Bekele

School of Medicine

Martha Jurczak

School of Medicine

Amanda Breon

Administration and Finance

Courtney Lewis

School of Medicine

Sofia Cascio

School of Medicine

Julia Scott

School of Social Work

Jahmoy Colquhoun

Administration and Finance

Tia Stone

School of Medicine

Kristina Floyd

School of Medicine

Victoria Valbuena Siler

Francis King Carey School of Law

Tsion Girmay

School of Medicine

Priti Wakefield

Administration and Finance

Justine Golden

School of Medicine

Anthony Weldon

School of Medicine

Erica Hill

Administration and Finance

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COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD NOMINEES

This award honors employees who demonstrate a strong commitment to community engagement through active participation in local service organizations or a longstanding dedication to volunteerism at the local, national, or international level.

Paris Barnes

School of Pharmacy

Jeanine Crawford

Francis King Carey School of Law

Kyle Long

School of Social Work

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CECIL S. KELLY MEMORIAL EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented annually, this award recognizes an employee who embodies the values of service, dedication, and compassion that defined Cecil S. Kelly's career at UMB.

Mr. Kelly served the University from Oct. 28, 1966, until his passing on Sept. 4, 1989, after a battle with cancer. As an assistant director for operations and maintenance, he was a devoted member of the facilities management team, known for his tireless work ethic, unwavering commitment to the University and local community, and the lasting friendships he built. This award honors his legacy by celebrating those who demonstrate the same spirit of excellence and service.

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EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

The nominees for UMB Employee of the Year are the winners of the Employee of the Month Awards in 2024. You can read about the 12 nominees on Human Resource Services' [*Gallery of Winners webpage*](#).

(Photos by Matthew D'Agostino)



Jules Ash
School of Medicine



Erica Chaffin
School of Pharmacy



Angie Hines
School of Nursing



**Jaslynn
Hutley-Pierre**
School of Nursing



Elizabeth Main
Office of Sustainability



Denise Meyer
*Department of
Environmental Services*

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EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



**Stella
Moshonisiotis**
School of Nursing



Micah Murphy
*Office of Communications
and Public Affairs*



Sarah Porter
*Office of Community
and Civic Engagement*



Aisha Samples
*Francis King Carey
School of Law*



Donye Thomas
School of Medicine



**Marquette
Turner**
*Student Counseling
Center*

Thanks for the UMB Memories



Thanks for the UMB Memories



Thank You to All of Our Award Recipients

We consider ourselves very fortunate that you have provided such dedicated and effective service to the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB). Your commitment to UMB is admirable and your dedication to providing excellence in everything you do is a quality well worth emulating. Each of you has contributed, directly or indirectly, to fulfilling the University's mission: to improve the human condition and serve the public good of Maryland and society at-large through education, research, clinical care, and service.

Because of your efforts and those of your co-workers and colleagues, UMB is a dominant economic leader in the region through innovation, entrepreneurship, philanthropy, and interdisciplinary and interprofessional teamwork. Your work has been critical in extending our reach with hallmark local, national, and global initiatives that positively transform lives. Through your efforts and commitment, the University has become a beacon to the world as an environment for learning and discovery that is rich in diversity and inclusion.

