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## 2019 Best Places to Work in Kentucky Rankings Announced

Edward Jones, L&N Federal Credit Union and Ward, Hocker & Thornton PLLC take top honors

Frankfort, Ky. (April 23, 2019) – Edward Jones, L&N Federal Credit Union and Ward, Hocker & Thornton PLLC were ranked the 2019 Best Places to Work in Kentucky by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce and the Kentucky Society for Human Resource Management (KYSHRM).

During the 15th Annual Best Places to Work in Kentucky awards ceremony, presented by Lifestyle Health Plans, more than 1,200 attendees joined in celebrating the 100 Kentucky companies who were recognized for their commitment to focus, measure and move their workplace environments toward excellence.

The list of companies who made the 2019 list was announced in January and the ranked list was announced on stage at the awards ceremony. The 100 winning companies participated in a comprehensive survey process and were then ranked according to those results. The list consists of three categories: small companies of 15-149 employees, medium companies of 150-499 employees and large companies consisting of more than 500 employees (categories based on number of U.S. employees, only Kentucky employees surveyed).

**Edward Jones**, the top winner in the large category, offers associates flexible, family-friendly workplaces and gratifying work helping clients in neighborhoods where they live and work. Financial advisors and branch office administrator teams who serve clients well earn the firm's highest honors. Edward Jones has made the list for 14 years and last year was ranked second in the large category.

**L&N Federal Credit Union**, the top winner in the medium category, has been in business since 1954. With assets over \$1.2 billion dollars and an array of products and services, L&N can offer everything necessary for someone's personal or business finances. L&N Federal Credit Union was ranked third in the medium category last year and has made the list four years in a row.

**Ward, Hocker & Thornton PLLC**, the top winner in the small category, is a law firm with attorneys who understand the unique challenges their clients face and works aggressively to find the most cost-effective and timely solutions possible. Ward, Hocker & Thornton PLLC has made the list for 6 years and last year was ranked third in the small category.

Now in its 15<sup>th</sup> year, the Best Places to Work in Kentucky program has recognized a combined 291 unique Kentucky companies with 199 of those making the list more than once. Special recognition to the two companies that have made the list all 15 years - Dean Dorton and KORT.

The Kentucky Society for Human Resource Management (KYSHRM) state council and the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce are proud to host the Best Places initiative, as both organizations support the value of workplace excellence as a key component in moving Kentucky forward.

"HR professionals are the CEO's strategic partner in creating an adaptive advantage for Kentucky's employers. The Best Places to Work in Kentucky program recognizes those employers who set an exemplary standard of excellence for both employee engagement and business success," said KYSHRM Chair, Scott McGarvey, SHRM-SCP, SPHR.

According to Kentucky Chamber President and CEO, Dave Adkisson, "In order to help Kentucky's economy thrive, we must be able to educate and employ current Kentuckians, while also creating workplaces that attract talent from outside of the state. The Best Places program does just that."

For more details about Best Places to Work in Kentucky, visit [bestplacestoworkky.com](http://bestplacestoworkky.com)

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# 2019 Best Places to Work in Kentucky – Ranked Lists

## SMALL COMPANIES

Rank	Company
1	Ward, Hocker & Thornton PLLC
2	Peel & Holland, Inc.
3	Kentucky Educational Development Corporation
4	SIS A Converge Company
5	ARGI
6	Connected Nation, Inc.
7	Bim Group
8	Global Information Systems, LLC
9	Wehr Constructors, Inc.
10	MCF
11	Medical Center Jewish South
12	Volta
13	Middleton Reutlinger
14	Metro United Way
15	Medical Center Jewish Northeast
16	Fahe
17	Budget For The People
18	People Plus, Inc
19	PharmaCord, LLC
20	Mirazon
21	Marine Solutions, Inc.
22	Diversified Automation, Inc
23	Integrity IT
24	Clinical Behavior Analysis (CBA)
25	Lexington Habitat for Humanity, Inc.
26	KLH Engineers, PSC
27	AMR Management Services
28	Massage Envy Lexington
29	KECH, Inc.
30	Unified Trust Company
31	Town & Country Bank and Trust Company
32	Tri-Arrows Aluminum Incorporated
33	RunSwitch Public Relations
34	Jewish Hospital Shelbyville
35	Hardin County Water District No. 1
36	Kingdom Trust
37	NetGain Technologies, LLC
38	Associations International, LLC
39	Peoples Exchange Bank
40	All Star Purchasing
41	Strothman and Company
42	STOBER Drives, Inc.

## MEDIUM COMPANIES

Rank	Company
1	L&N Federal Credit Union
2	Harrison Memorial Hospital
3	Houchens Insurance Group
4	Independence Bank
5	Kentucky Bank
6	ISCO Industries
7	MCM CPAs & Advisors LLP
8	Commonwealth Credit Union
9	WDRB Media
10	Blue & Co., LLC
11	Associates in Pediatric Therapy LLC
12	US WorldMeds
13	Winterwood Inc.
14	MassMutual Midwest
15	Park Community Credit Union
16	Air Hydro Power, Inc.
17	Harshaw Trane
18	Dean Dorton
19	Forcht Bank
20	Bottom Line Systems
21	University of Kentucky Federal Credit Union
22	Louisville Tile
23	CLARK Material Handling Company
24	Heritage Bank USA, Inc.
25	Bourbon Community Hospital
26	Flaget Memorial Hospital, CHI Saint Joseph Health
27	Material Handling Systems, Inc.

## LARGE COMPANIES

Rank	Company
1	Edward Jones
2	Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.
3	Envoy Mortgage, Ltd.
4	Comcast
5	Brooksource
6	Aerotek
7	Jack Henry & Associates, Inc.®
8	WellCare of Kentucky, Inc.
9	Gray Construction
10	Frankfort Regional Medical Center
11	Neustar, Inc
12	Total Quality Logistics
13	Central Bank & Trust Co.
14	Genentech
15	Farm Credit Mid-America
16	Republic Bank
17	KORT
18	Corning Incorporated
19	Steptoe & Johnson PLLC
20	CSI
21	Novelis Inc.
22	Senture, LLC
23	Appriss
24	Long John Silver's, LLC
25	Valvoline Inc.
26	Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center
27	V-Soft Consulting Group Inc
28	Parallon- Louisville Specialty Center
29	Kentucky American Water
30	Galen College of Nursing
31	Musselman Hotels