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District Attorney's Office Honored as One of San Diego's Outstanding Workplaces

San Diego County District Attorney [Bonnie M. Dumanis](#) today announced that her office received a prestigious 2008 Workplace Excellence Award as one of San Diego's most outstanding places to work. Citing employee communication, quality of life programs, and a focus on staying healthy, the District Attorney's Employee Relations Department was singled out for the award among 130 nominees.

"I'm proud of our office's efforts to establish programs that improve our employees' quality of life," said DA Dumanis. "Our Employee Relations team serves as a critical change agent for our office and the result is employees who are better-engaged and more productive."

The San Diego Chapter of the [Society for Human Resource Management](#), the industry's leading association, bestows the awards annually on organizations that create "great places to work" through the highly professional and innovative programs implemented by human relations teams.

At an awards ceremony on Wednesday in San Diego, the District Attorney's Office was recognized for its "DA University" program, which provides in-house continuing education for employees; the "You Are a Star" program, an innovative recognition and reward program; and for excellence in communication from its Employee Relations Department, utilizing the DA's internal website.

The District Attorney's Office was also recognized for encouraging and supporting the health and well-being of staff members. The DA recently opened a second wellness center on-site, which is equipped with gym equipment and classes. Staff members are able to use the facility on their own time at no cost. Shortly thereafter, DA University launched a Health and Wellness Program. This track features courses from General Fitness to Advanced Fitness and Practical Training Techniques to Managing Life's Challenges.

The [San Diego County District Attorney's Office](#) has nearly 1,000 employees in six office locations in San Diego County. Diversity among DA staff essentially mirrors that of the community it serves. The District Attorney prosecutes all felony crimes in San Diego County.

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