



HR Tampa Receives Prestigious SHRM Award for Advancing the HR Profession

Tampa, Florida March 16, 2016 — The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) recently awarded HR Tampa its prestigious EXCEL Platinum Award for the Chapter's accomplishments in 2015.

The award is part of the SHRM Affiliate Program for Excellence, which aligns individual chapters and councils' activities with SHRM's aspirations for the HR profession. The award recognizes accomplishments and strategic activities and initiatives that enhance the human resources profession.

“SHRM rewards chapters and councils that demonstrate a strong commitment to advancing the human resources profession through service to the community, local networking and professional development activities,” said Henry G. (Hank) Jackson, president and CEO of SHRM.

“Advancing the HR profession is at the heart of what SHRM does and HR Tampa's work this year helps us further showcase that mission.”

The EXCEL award can be earned at four levels: bronze, silver, gold and platinum, and each level has a prescribed set of requirements and accomplishments that have to be met. HR Tampa will receive recognition in SHRM publications and conferences, a certificate of recognition, and a special banner to display at its meetings and events.

HR Tampa achieved many great successes this past year including increasing the overall membership by 9.2%, bringing our total membership as of December 31, 2015 to 608 Human Resources professionals. In addition, over 200 veterans were connected with HR professionals through a variety of veteran-related community events and a record number of professionals traveled to Tallahassee and Washington D.C. to speak with their representatives on workplace-related legislation. Finally, HR Tampa members' generous donations helped the Chapter rank #7 in the nation of top donors to the SHRM Foundation.

“I am proud to be a part of this thriving chapter of Human Resources professionals,” said Melissa Robinson, President of HR Tampa. “Our members are generous of their time and talents. Their passion and commitment helps to not only advance the profession, but our name in the business community as well.”

For more information on the award visit

www.shrm.org/communities/volunteerresources/resourcesforchapters/pages/award_info.aspx.

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About HR Tampa

HR Tampa has been empowering the Human Resources Profession for more than 60 years. With over 650 members, HR Tampa is the premier professional association for Human Resources professionals in greater Tampa Bay. HR Tampa's mission is to create the opportunity for the exchange of ideas on issues challenging human resources professionals in our communities; encourage participation in group discussion leading to better methods, better relationships, improved human resource leadership; and to advance the profession and the personal development of those responsible for, or who assist in human resources.

About the Society for Human Resource Management

Founded in 1948, the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) is the world's largest HR membership organization devoted to human resource management. Representing more than 275,000 members in over 160 countries, the Society is the leading provider of resources to serve the needs of HR professionals and advance the professional practice of human resource management. SHRM has more than 575 affiliated chapters within the United States and subsidiary offices in China, India and United Arab Emirates. Visit us at shrm.org and follow us on Twitter @SHRMPress.