



# Best Places to Work Awards

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## 2022 Best Places to Work in Southeast Minnesota

*Rochester, MN:* All great employees want to know where everyone else wants to work. Vying to be recognized as one of the area's Best Places to Work is exactly where every business will want to be. Thanks to Workforce Development, Inc., we all now know who some of those companies are in Southeast Minnesota. Seventeen companies representing the counties of Winona, Freeborn, Mower, Rice, Steele, Goodhue, Olmstead, Houston, Dodge, Fillmore and Wabasha Counties were recognized as the "Best Places to Work" in Southeast Minnesota.

A virtual celebration was held Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. A recording will soon be available [here](#).

### Small Employer (Under 50 Employees)

**Albert Lea Seed House**  
**Arcadian Bank**  
**IBI Data**  
**Southeast Service Cooperative**  
**Rushford State Bank**

### Mid-Size Employer (50-150 employees)

**Austin Utilities**  
**CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP**  
**Crown Cork and Seal**  
**Custom Alarm**  
**Peoples Energy Cooperative**

### Large Employer (Over 150 employees)

**Benike Construction**  
**City of Albert Lea**  
**Gemini, Inc.**  
**Hearth and Home Technologies**  
**Zumbro Family Health Center**

The “Best Places to Work” awards program was a commissioned study by Workforce Development, Inc. The purpose of the program was to recognize some of the best employers in our local area and provide vital information to companies about the practices they use to attract and retain employees. Each company participating was required to complete a 40-question survey that allowed their employment practices to be analyzed by the consulting firm of Personnel Dynamics Consulting of Florida. Every company participating in the survey will receive a detailed 25-page report detailing the information on their company and the results of the survey. Those companies who are being recognized receive a special award at the Best Places to Work Awards Banquet.

The data was measured on such parameters as: turnover, rate of growth, promotion rates, employee evaluations and feedback, percentage of employee injured, diversity of management, benefits offered, training expenditures, paid days off and increase in pay. The Workforce Development, Inc. and sponsors joined forces to bring “Best Places to Work” program to Southeast Minnesota.