

**Registration Deadline:**  
**March 27, 2026**

## BEST PLACES TO WORK IN OTTAWA



### What is this?

The Best Places to Work in Ottawa is a survey and awards program that honors employers in Ottawa that are making their workplaces great. This is a joint project of the *Ottawa Business Journal* and the Ottawa Board of Trade in partnership with Workforce Research Group.

### What's the process like?

A two-part survey is conducted to get a thorough assessment of each employer.

- Part 1 consists of an Employer Assessment where we capture details about policies and practices.
- Part 2 consists of the Employee Feedback Survey where we capture employees' opinions about their workplace experience.
  - Employee surveys are conducted online.

Both the employer and employee data sets are combined to determine the best workplaces.

### Who is eligible?

Organizations must meet the following criteria:

- Be publicly or privately held
- Are a for-profit, not-for-profit, or a government organization
- Have a physical operation in Ottawa
- Have at least 15 full- or part-time employees working in Ottawa
- Have been in business for at least one year, at the program registration deadline

### Are reports available?

All collected employee feedback will be presented in an online interactive reporting tool called the Employee Feedback Data Dashboard. The dashboard will allow each employer to view data by graphs, charts and tables. Plus, standard downloadable reports containing responses by demographic, employee comments and benchmarks are also available.

### Recognition:

Employers will find out if they have made the list soon after the surveys are completed. Those who make the best list will be honored in a special publication and at a special awards event hosted by the *Ottawa Business Journal* in October 2026. The identities of organizations not making the list will be kept confidential.

### What does it cost?

# of Employees in Ottawa	# Ottawa Employees Surveyed	Survey Fee*
15-24	All	\$920
25-99	All	\$945
100-199	All	\$1,045
200-499	Up to 300**	\$1,095
500-999	400**	\$1,165
1000+	500**	\$1,205

*\*fees are non-refundable \*\*employees are randomly selected*

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