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## **FONA Named a Small/Medium Best Workplace in Chicago by *Fortune* magazine and Great Place to Work**



**Geneva, IL, July 18, 2021** – FONA, creator and manufacturer of complete flavor solutions, was named the #33 Small/Medium Workplace in Chicago by Fortune magazine and consulting firm Great Place to Work. FONA is the only manufacturing and production company on the list. This is the sixth consecutive year that FONA has been named on the list. View the full list of rankings [here](#).

“Being recognized as a Best Workplace in Chicago is such an honor! It celebrates our commitment to our employees and our dedication to providing a culture where employees can achieve their goals, overcome challenges, and succeed individually and within their teams. We are honored and excited to receive this recognition!” said Tonya Hubbart, Vice President of Human Resources

This year’s Best Workplaces in Chicago award is based on employee feedback collected through America’s largest ongoing annual workforce study of over 1 million employee survey responses and data from companies representing more than 6.1 million U.S. employees. The survey shows that 84% of FONA employees say the company is a great place to work compared to 57% of employees at a typical U.S.-based company. In addition, 90% of FONA employees said they feel good about the ways FONA contributes to the community and 90% say FONA’s customers would rate the service they deliver as “excellent”. The full review is available [here](#).

“As employee demands and expectations have dramatically changed over the past year, these companies have risen to the occasion—and it’s not been easy,” says Kim Peters, executive vice president of global recognition, research & strategic partnerships at Great Place to Work. “Their hard work and dedication to listen to and care for the well-being of every employee, and support them in a way that’s meaningful to all, is the standard all organizations will be held to.”

The Best Workplaces in Chicago list is highly competitive. Great Place to Work, the global authority on workplace culture, selected the list using rigorous analytics and confidential employee feedback. Great Place to Work is the only company culture award in America that selects winners based on how fairly employees are treated. Companies are assessed on how well they are creating a great employee experience that cuts across race, gender, age, disability status, or any aspect of who employees are or what their role is.

This award follows several other FONA recognitions including being named one of Chicago’s Best and Brightest Companies to work for as well as one of the Nation’s Best and Brightest in Wellness. It also follows FONA’s recognition as a National Best & Brightest Company to Work For with Elite status in Strategic Company Performance and win as the Nation’s #2 Workplace in Manufacturing and Production by Fortune Magazine.

### **ABOUT FONA**

FONA is owned and operated by McCormick & Company, a global leader in flavor. Founded more than 30 years ago, FONA creates and produces flavors for many of the largest food, beverage, and nutritional companies in the world. It offers flavor solutions for the confection, grain, beverage, performance nutrition, OTC and emerging markets from its state-of-the-art, 33-acre campus in Geneva, IL. More than just great flavors — FONA provides exceptional service and complete market solutions. FONA is one of McCormick & Company's Flavor Solutions brands. Every day, no matter where or what you eat or drink, you can enjoy food flavored by McCormick. Founded in 1889, McCormick envisions A World United by Flavor where healthy, sustainable, and delicious go hand in hand. To learn more, visit [www.mccormickcorporation.com](http://www.mccormickcorporation.com).

#### **ABOUT GREAT PLACE TO WORK**

Great Place to Work is the global authority on workplace culture. Since 1992, it has surveyed more than 100 million employees worldwide and used those deep insights to define what makes a great workplace: trust. Its employee survey platform empowers leaders with the feedback, real-time reporting and insights they need to make data-driven people decisions. Everything it does is driven by the mission to build a better world by helping every organization become a great place to work For All™.