

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
<b>Amber Thompson</b> (KCIT)	Executive Assistant	Department of Information Technology (KCIT)	Amber supports me impeccably as my assistant. She is relentless in keeping my schedule up to date, working with administrative staff all over the County, and supporting several other staff in KCIT. She manages a workload that easily could encompass several people's duties, all with grace and a smile. She is amazing.	Director
<b>Andrea Larson</b>	Administrator I	King County Executive Office (KCEO)	Andrea maintains a growth-focused mindset, and fearlessly launches into learning new technology and jumping into new projects and/or processes. Thank you Andrea!	Peer
<b>Anna Ponder</b>	Administrative Specialist III	Department of Adult & Juvenile Detention (DAJD)	Anna is calm, capable, confident, organized and an efficient admin professional who seeks to make sure our daily court calendars are prepped with perfection in a timely manner for the courts and our stakeholders. We appreciate your contribution and the work you do in PR. Thank you!	Supervisor
<b>Beth Cheshier</b> Recognitions	4 Transit Administrative Support Specialist III	Metro Transit Department (MTD)	<p>1. During the pandemic, Beth continued to come to work when needed, putting herself and family at risk. In the days following the pandemic, we faced severe staffing shortages. Beth was one of two TASS III for 7 Operating Bus Bases, who spread her time out and worked overtime taking time away from her family to accomplish the work to keep the Bus bases operating. Beth has become a "go-to" person for all of Vehicle Maintenance in Transit, and now with the hiring of many new TASS III, Beth is invaluable with training the new employees. She has given up so much of her time the last couple of years as we have faced unprecedented challenges, she deserves to be recognized for all her dedicated service.</p> <p>2. Beth Cheshier has stepped up to provide support for several King County Metro Vehicle Maintenance Bases that have been without Administrative Specialist III's for several months. She has performed at a high level meeting all essential Administrative duties required to keep these VM Bases running smoothly. Thank you Beth.</p> <p>3. Beth kept VM together and moving forward as we struggled with with 6 vacancies out of 8 positions. She kept a positive attitude and provided training to all new hires as they onboarded.</p> <p>4. The VM TASS III work group was short 6 of 9 positions for over 6 months. Beth was one of the remaining TASS III's that stepped up and did an incredible job covering all of the essential work that was needed during the labor shortage. Beth went above and beyond what could be expected in doing extra work.</p>	<p>1. Supervisor 2. Superintendent of Bellevue VM 3. Supervisor 4. Superintendent at a different base.</p>

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
<b>Brenda Loder</b>	Administrative Specialist II	Department of Natural Resources & Parks (DNRP)	Brenda has been the driving force for KCSWD Admin team for years now. She has supported the entire Operations team, which is well over 200 employees, and been an invaluable resource for the entire team.	Supervisor
<b>Carrie Valderas</b> Recognitions	2 Administrative Specialist III	Department of Natural Resources & Parks (DNRP)	<p>1. Carrie has hit the ground running since joining our Section a few months ago. She quickly learned our business processes and has already significantly improved some of our online tools. She is hard-working, efficient, and organized. On top of that, she contributes great ideas to our leadership team and demonstrates a positive, can-do attitude.</p> <p>2. Carrie stepped in to her new role earlier this year and quickly mastered and then expanded her range of tasks and services she provides to the Science section. She does it with energy and good cheer!</p>	1. Manager 2. Peer
<b>Catherine Evangelista</b>	Administrative Specialist II	Department of Public Health (DPH)	Catherine is very passionate about her role in Prevention. She goes above and beyond to ensure clients and customers needs are met.	Lead
<b>Charlene Sellhast</b>	Administrator II	Department of Information Technology (KCIT)	Charlene is awesome at her job, she keeps everyone on track and can adjust when needed. She is always helpful and will work collaboratively to ensure our needs are met. We would be lost without her.	Manager
<b>Chris Stein</b>	Administrator I	Department of Natural Resources & Parks (DNRP)	Chris Stein exemplifies professionalism and a commitment to excellence when completing her work. She has strong attention to detail, is very communicative, and delivers excellent administrative services to our work group.	Peer
<b>Claire Magbanua</b>	Administrative Staff Assistant	Department of Public Health (DPH)	Claire has provided consistent high quality support over the last 10 years and continues to do so with positivity and grace. She is a master scheduler and has built relationships across the county and knows who to reach out to when we need help. She's been a wonderful colleague to our growing division.	Director

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
<p><b>Cristina Lathrop</b> 2 Recognitions</p>	<p>Administrative Specialist</p>	<p>Metro Transit Department (MTD)</p>	<p>1. "Cris" through the years has exemplified dedication and love to her craft. Her expertise shows every two weeks when paychecks are distributed because there are minimal to no issues. She has taken on a personal responsibility to provide employees with accurate pay and makes corrections to discrepancies immediately. Actually, if she has any discrepancies its only a handful through a year. Thank-you for your hard work Cris! 2. Cris demonstrates kindness and caring in everything she does. She is our payroll guru and provides the ultimate in customer service to panicked calls about pay or leave balances. When complimented about her awesomeness, she often says, "hey, I am glad to have a job!" She wears her humility on her sleeve every day and we couldn't do without her!</p>	<p>1. Peer Peer 2.</p>
<p><b>Cristina Pryor</b></p>	<p>Administrative Specialist 2</p>	<p>Metro Transit Department (MTD)</p>	<p>Crissy is always willing to help with whatever is requested of her, whether that is an individual task, training new Admins, hunting down an answer, or finding out who has the answer, and she does this all with a smile and extremely gracious demeanor! She is the BEST!!!</p>	<p>Supervisor</p>
<p><b>Dan Fernandez</b></p>	<p>Legal Secretary</p>	<p>Prosecuting Attorney Office (PAO)</p>	<p>Shout out to Dan Fernandez, who is a huge help to our whole office! Dan takes care of so many of our day-to-day needs and just makes our ship run as smooth as possible.</p>	<p>Supervisor</p>
<p><b>Fabricio Alves</b></p>	<p>Administrator I</p>	<p>Metro Transit Department (MTD)</p>	<p>Through the pandemic and construction at KSC Fab has kept our department up to date on changes happening. He has also reminded us of important dates of items we need to be aware. This includes deadlines for things we need to do as employees. He's always willing to help out a fellow co-worker and always shares his tips and tricks if folks are struggling with software or new programs that are being introduced in King County. Fab goes above and beyond in everything he does, you can see that management heavily relies on him to get things done or if they need assistance. Fab has been a wonderful addition to our team and am very gratefully to have him here. He brings a positive attitude each day which spreads to the rest of the team.</p>	<p>Peer</p>
<p><b>Heather Fluegel</b></p>	<p>Administrative Assistant III</p>	<p>Department of Public Health (DPH)</p>	<p>Heather has been with King County for years and in her current position for the last 22 years. She works with community partners to provide services to women who are undeserved and often face barriers to health care. She is extremely dedicated and will pursue all avenues to figure out how to get services to women in a timely basis. She also thinks outside the box, looking for resources when all others have been exhausted. She is truly an asset to the program and to the county.</p>	<p>Manager</p>

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
Ithica Nolan-Williams	Admin Spec II	Department of Natural Resources & Parks (DNRP)	Ithica thinks and plans ahead. She is an accomplished facilitator and leader. She is a terrific editor. She adds value to projects she's associated with. She cheers up a room.	Peer
Jenny Revak	Paralegal II	Prosecuting Attorney Office (PAO)	BIG thanks and kudos to this team for their superior support during trial!*(Nominated as a team with Sarah Cranfill & Karen Richardson)	Supervisor
Judi Hendrickson 5 Recognitions	Executive Assistant	Metro Transit Department (MTD)	<p>1. Judi is the most amazing administrative professional I have worked with. She is super knowledgeable in all processes and policies, and goes above and beyond to support everyone in the division as well as supports peers in other divisions. Her level of organization makes everything look smooth and effortless.</p> <p>2. Judi has been a constant resource for 30+years. She has a welcoming personality, she has been efficient in multiple positions over the years. I have yet to meet anyone in VM that dose not speak highly of Judi Hendrickson.</p> <p>3. This professional is the epitome of "really good." She is 100% on top of EVERYTHING and understands so quickly when and what things need to happen for everything to go smoothly.</p> <p>4. She is very knowledgeable, helpful, and reliable. She is always been there to keep VM running for years</p> <p>5. Long time happy friendly and helpful professional I would think she has been here 25 to 30 years I have seen her move up and at every level she has been a true professional and dependable a very good example of MTD its a been great to work with her on the team. Judi never asks for thanks she just treats everyone like I think she would like to be treated with respect and kindness .</p>	<p>1. Supervisor</p> <p>2. Peer</p> <p>3. Peer</p> <p>4. Peer</p> <p>5. Peer</p>
Karen Richardson	Paralegal II	Prosecuting Attorney Office (PAO)	BIG thanks and kudos to this team for their superior support during trial! *(Nominated as a team w/ Sarah Cranfill & Jenny Revak)	Supervisor

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
Katy Ellis	Administrator I	Department of Public Health (DPH)	Katy has been inspiring to me as she has risen to the challenge of a brand new project in CD/Epi/Imms. She has largely taught herself how to create a whole new intranet-like website for staff, seeking out guidance resources and helpful people in the Division to find solutions to the problems she is working on. The end product she is creating will contain well-formatted, understandable, & valuable information for employees promoting information sharing and clarity within the Section. She has so kindly helped me make progress on my own projects by offering her consulting wisdom about best practices for site development including formatting and organization of content. She is courageously moving forward on a brand new project, while also making time to support her colleagues to share her learnings with others on their journey.	Peer
Keiley Ramseur	Confidential Secretary	King County Executive Office (KCEO)	Keiley consistently goes above and beyond her role, filling any gaps needed to ensure our team functions smoothly. Often these efforts are overlooked by our team, as we've become so spoiled by seamless team meetings and processes. Thank you Keiley for everything you do! We see you!	Peer
Kelsie Wring Recognitions	2 Administrative Staff Assistant	Department of Public Health (DPH)	<p>1. Kelsie is INCREDIBLE! She is kind, funny and so incredibly competent. She keeps our team running with organization, support skills, and sharing her vast knowledge of systems. So grateful for the ways she's always willing to step up to support our work!</p> <p>2. Kelsie is creative and enthusiastic about keeping our team organized and informed. She not only takes fantastic notes, but makes also connections and suggests ways to bridge our programs to other work happening in the department. She has been essential in developing processes that rely on Sharepoint tools. In short, our program has greatly benefited from having Kelsie's support.</p>	<p>1. Peer</p> <p>2. Manager</p>
Kim Carmony	Administrator I	Department of Public Health (DPH)	Kim provides a high level of professional administrative support across the Community Health Services (CHS) division, and specifically for several CHS Leadership Team members including the CHS Quality Manager (RHA), Medical Officer, Assistant Medical Director and several key Program Managers. The people Kim supports all say they love to work with her, that she is not only reliable, but also a dedicated professional who communicates clearly what can be accomplished, what she expects, and key timelines. Most importantly, Kim is kind to everyone, level-headed and personable. Kim leans into her work and goes above and beyond what is required.	Supervisor

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
<b>Lester Kinlow</b>	Executive Secretary/Asst I	Department of Natural Resources & Parks (DNRP)	Lester has been in the DNRP Director's office for a little over two years now. He came in a couple of weeks before we were sent home to telework due to the pandemic. Lester fit right in and figured things out super quick and has been such a great asset to our office. He's always got my back and I feel very lucky to have him as a coworker and friend.	Peer
<b>Linda Sun</b>	Transit Admin Support Specialist III	Metro Transit Department (MTD)	The VM TASS III work group was short 6 of 9 positions for over 6 months. Linda was one of the remaining TASS III's that stepped up and did an incredible job covering all of the essential work that was needed during the labor shortage. Linda went above and beyond what could be expected in doing extra work.	Supervisor
<b>Lynda Cruz</b>	Confidential Secretary (Special Assignment Currently)	Department of Adult & Juvenile Detention (DAJD)	Ms. Cruz is always willing to help and one of the most knowledgeable staff we have at CFJC. If she can't answer your question she knows who can. We would be lost without her.ur question she knows who can.	Peer
<b>Meg Chambers</b>	Administrative Lead Health Care for the Homeless	Department of Public Health (DPH)	Meg is such an amazing leader in Health Care for the Homeless, showing great initiative, follow-through, patience, dedication and just plain hard work on our busy team. She regularly works to improve and streamline our processes, and jumps in to support and lead where she sees a need, and provides essential support to our Governance Council members and homeless service provider network. We appreciate you so much Meg!.	Supervisor
<b>Pam Schellhase</b>	Administrative Specialist II	Department of Natural Resources & Parks (DNRP)	Pam has worked for the County in the Customer Services field for over 30 years. If you've ever booked a field, a campsite, a picnic shelter or a trail for an event you've probably interacted with Pam. She is a very skilled scheduler and has great customer service skills. I've been able to depend on Pam for the 23 years I've been her supervisor to be professional, courteous, prompt and reliable.	Supervisor
<b>Roger Bruckshen</b>	Transit Admin Support Specialist III	Metro Transit Department (MTD)	Roger is always willing to help and provide assistance to anybody that needs it. He's helped so many folks on our team through the pandemic and with all our COVID needs. Keeps staff and managers on task and keeps us informed. Thank you Roger!	Peer

2022 Recognition

Administrative Professionals	Role	Department	Words of Recognition	Submitter's Role / Relationship to AP
<p><b>Samantha Crowe</b> Recognitions</p>	<p>4 Administrator I / Office Manager</p>	<p>Department of Executive Services (DES)</p>	<p>1. She has been here every day through COVID and all. Front desk. Taking care of all KCIT. She comes in every day to the office. 2. Samantha has been the glue of KCIT over the past 3 years. Samantha is the main point of contact for KCIT and vendors with respect to office supplies, facilities coordination, yearly compliance, travel, telecom coordination, and records management. In addition to volunteer ESJ work, Samantha's work with day to day activities in and around KCIT is truly amazing. Samantha has led the way with invaluable service through the course of KCIT's various workloads shifting throughout the pandemic. Hats off to you Samantha and thank you. 3. While everyone is working remotely, Sam always goes to the office in DT to provide in-person support for KCIT employees/vendors. 4. Sam has been in the office through out COVID and has been tremendous help with receiving the Network teams shipments and keeping everything organized.. She is always pleasant and willing to help wherever she is needed.</p>	<p>1. Peer 2. KCIT HR Team 3. Peer 4. Manager</p>
<p><b>Sarah Cranfill</b></p>	<p>Database Support Coordinator</p>	<p>Prosecuting Attorney Office (PAO)</p>	<p>BIG thanks and kudos to this team for their superior support during trial! *(Nominated as a team with Karen Richardson &amp; Jenny Revak)</p>	<p>Supervisor</p>
<p><b>Susanne Harris</b></p>	<p>Judicial Services Supervisor II</p>	<p>Department of Judicial Administration (DJA)</p>	<p>Susanne is always willing to go above and beyond to support her staff. She is always patient and takes the time to explain processes and procedures clearly to all her staff. Feeling supported and heard in a place of employment is one of the most important gifts a supervisor can have and Susie shows her team this everyday.</p>	<p>Peer</p>
<p><b>Tory Kelley</b></p>	<p>Customer Service Spec IV</p>	<p>Department of Executive Services (DES)</p>	<p>Tory has helped in many ways, outside of general job training, with this transition for me as a new hire with KC.</p>	<p>Peer</p>
<p><b>Yulanda Lawson</b></p>	<p>Administrator 1</p>	<p>Department of Local Services (DLS)</p>	<p>Yulanda has a great attitude. Yulanda finds a way. Yulanda is savvy and we are lucky to have her on our team!</p>	<p>Ad</p>