

Date of submission	Nominee's Name	Nominee's Department	Area #	Reason for nomination
1/6/2025	Christian Lizarazo	Botanical Gardens	6	Christian is a valued member of our team whose enthusiasm and dedication are truly infectious. He consistently takes responsibility for managing projects and supporting his fellow team members, demonstrating dependability and a genuine willingness to help in any way he can. His commitment to excellence is evident in the way he has gone above and beyond to complete new themed gardens, creating a remarkable experience for our garden visitors.
1/8/2025	Tracy Hux	Human Resources	2	Tracy and Mike are nothing short of miracle workers! Not only do they mesh well working together as a team, but the workload they have is handled extremely well. They are expeditious in replying to emails, updating Banner job assignments, and resolving any issues. They are on top of their game when it comes to meeting payroll deadlines, and they cover each other's tasks when one is out in a flawless manner. All of the above and their friendly and polite dispositions make for a happy fellow Niner!
1/8/2025	Mike Hogue-Jackson	Human Resources	2	Mike and Tracy are nothing short of miracle workers! Not only do they mesh well working together as a team, but the workload they have is handled extremely well. They are expeditious in replying to emails, updating Banner job assignments, and resolving any issues. They are on top of their game when it comes to meeting payroll deadlines, and they cover each other's tasks when one is out in a flawless manner. All of the above and their friendly and polite dispositions make for a happy fellow Niner!
1/9/2025	Darlene Johnson	BES, Woodward Hall 163B	12	Darlene has been going above and beyond throughout the months leading up to the Winter break. I want her to know how much her efforts are appreciated.
1/14/2025	Sonia Espinoza	FM - BES&R	12	Sonia is currently serving as the interim supervisor for one of the BES&R teams. On January 6, Sonia graciously lead a training exercise for the Spanish-speaking Jani King employees working with the BES staff. This is not typically her function, however, she willingly agreed to assist the FM training team to ensure these employees understand their responsibility. Sonia is a tremendous employees and leader. Thanks Sonia!
1/22/2025	Kelly Frazier	P-Card, Controller's Office	9	Kelly has been an amazing help to myself and multiple other people in our department with Concur, p-card expenses, and travel expenses. She has met virtually with multiple people, walked through their reports, and provided help and guidance. She also has responded very quickly to any emails and reinstated p-cards for several people. I know she is really busy with her job and helping people across campus, but she has never made it seem like she's unavailable or unwilling to help. Thank you Kelly!!
1/28/2025	Darlene Johnson	Building Environmental Services	12	Ms. Darlene has always gone above and beyond keeping our nursing labs clean and sanitary for our high volume of students. We are a high-touch, high-traffic area and she understands our unique needs. As a bonus to her obvious dedication to be excellent in her role, she always has a smile and a "good morning" for faculty and students. She isn't a nurse, but she certainly shows the caring of one!
1/31/2025	Natalie Fronzaglia	Marketing for BS	16	Natalie helped to integrate Smartsheet's for our response reporting for multiple programs that we offer, and is overall a delight to collaborate with on projects and to seek assistance with a helpfulness and willingness not always experienced!
1/31/2025	Samantha Maynard	Office of the Registrar	2	<p>Samantha Maynard and Elizabeth Mullis turned a simple suggestion for process improvement into a project with great success.</p> <p>Samantha wished out loud to have an automated process for applying Academic Forgiveness to eligible newly readmitted Undergraduate students. This created an in-office project suggestion which matured into a project action item.</p> <p>In the past, each eligible Academic Forgiveness student required a review of every term of previous attendance and manually update any previous D, F or W grades so they no longer counted against the student's "new" GPA as a Readmitted Student.</p> <p>Thanks to a year-long project between Samantha and Elizabeth, this Spring, what would have required over 600 manual grade changes was updated within a matter of minutes with the newly automated process.</p> <p>Kudos to Samantha and Elizabeth on their highly successful project.</p>
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