

Elwood Staffing Salutes Millions of Temporary and Contract Workers During National Staffing Employee Week, Sept. 10–16

Columbus, Ind.—Elwood Staffing of Columbus joins staffing companies across the country in celebrating National Staffing Employee Week, Sept. 10-16, established by the American Staffing Association to pay tribute to the millions of Americans who are employed by staffing firms every business day.

Businesses, according to ASA, tap staffing companies for quality talent in virtually all occupational sectors, from call center service representatives to skilled tradesmen to attorneys. ASA also reports that 79% of temporary and contract employees work fulltime (35 hours or more per week), virtually the same as the rest of the work force.

For those who are seeking their first job, re-entering the work force, or looking for something new, temporary and contract employment offers many benefits:

- Jobs: The staffing industry matches millions of people to millions of jobs every day. Some 2.98 million temporary and contract employees work through U.S. staffing firms on an average business day.
- Flexibility: Employees can choose when, where, and how they want to work. Companies can get the skills they need to keep fully staffed during busy times.
- Bridge: Temporary and contract work provides a bridge to permanent employment. People can try out a prospective employer and showcase their skills for a permanent job.

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- Choice: Many people choose temporary and contract work as a preferred employment option. They can select their work schedules and choose among a variety of diverse and challenging assignments.
- Training: The staffing industry provides free training for millions of temporary and contract employees to help meet today's demand for skilled workers.

About Elwood Staffing

Elwood Staffing is based in Columbus, Indiana. Recently, *Staffing Industry Analysts* recognized Elwood Staffing as the 14th largest light-industrial and 44th largest overall staffing firm in the United States. The company was also recognized as the largest staffing firm in Alabama and the 2nd largest firm operating in Indianapolis, IN. The company finished 2011 with total sales just under \$280 million.

For more information about Elwood Staffing, please visit www.elwoodstaffing.com.

About the American Staffing Association

The American Staffing Association is the voice of the U.S. staffing industry. ASA and its affiliated chapters advance the interests of staffing and recruiting firms of all sizes and across all sectors through legal and legislative advocacy, public relations, education, and the promotion of high standards of legal, ethical, and professional practices. ASA members provide the full range of employment and work force services and solutions, including temporary and contract staffing, recruiting and permanent placement, outplacement and outsourcing, training, and human resource consulting.