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Compendium Celebrated as One of Washington's Best Workplaces

Seattle company wins the 2017 Bronze Medal for positive office culture and environment

SEATTLE (August 4, 2017) — Compendium, the company behind The New York Times best-seller "What Do You Do With an Idea?" and other inspirational gift products, made its first appearance on the Puget Sound Business Journal's annual list of Washington's Best Workplaces. They received the bronze medal for the "Medium Company" category.

This prestigious list is determined by independent surveys of employees, which measured overall satisfaction based on topics such as training, culture, and confidence in leadership. Out of hundreds of applicants, these scores placed Compendium among the region's top three employers.

"It's an honor to receive to this award," says President and CEO Kobi Yamada. "Compendium's motto is 'Live Inspired' and we want to carry that into every facet of our company. We strive to create a work environment that's fun, inspiring, and rewarding. It's gratifying to know that our employees feel the same way."

Compendium has an office in Seattle and two warehouses in Everett, WA and Louisville, KY. The company cultivates a positive work environment by offering flexible work schedules, a pet-friendly office, and a profit-sharing program. They also schedule time for fun and relaxation with bi-weekly massages, volunteer days, themed lunches, and festive holiday parties. Every Halloween the company shuts down for an office-wide party filled with games, treats, and costumes. "I'm most proud of this award" says Yamada, "since this culture is something we have all built, and continue to build, together."

Puget Sound Business Journal announced the rankings at a festive event at Seattle Mariners Safeco Field on Aug. 3. The <u>complete list and rankings</u> were also published in a special report on Aug 4.

About Compendium, Inc.:

Since 1985, Compendium has turned everyday items into extraordinary gifts, and everyday occasions into memorable events. The Seattle-based company creatively combines fresh, vibrant design with thoughtful and inspiring words to create gift books, journals, greeting cards, and stationery sold online and in thousands of specialty gift stores nationwide. Their products celebrate the best parts of the human spirit and highlight what it truly means to live inspired. For more information about Compendium, visit their website at live-inspired.com.