



# Business Services Employee Recognition Program

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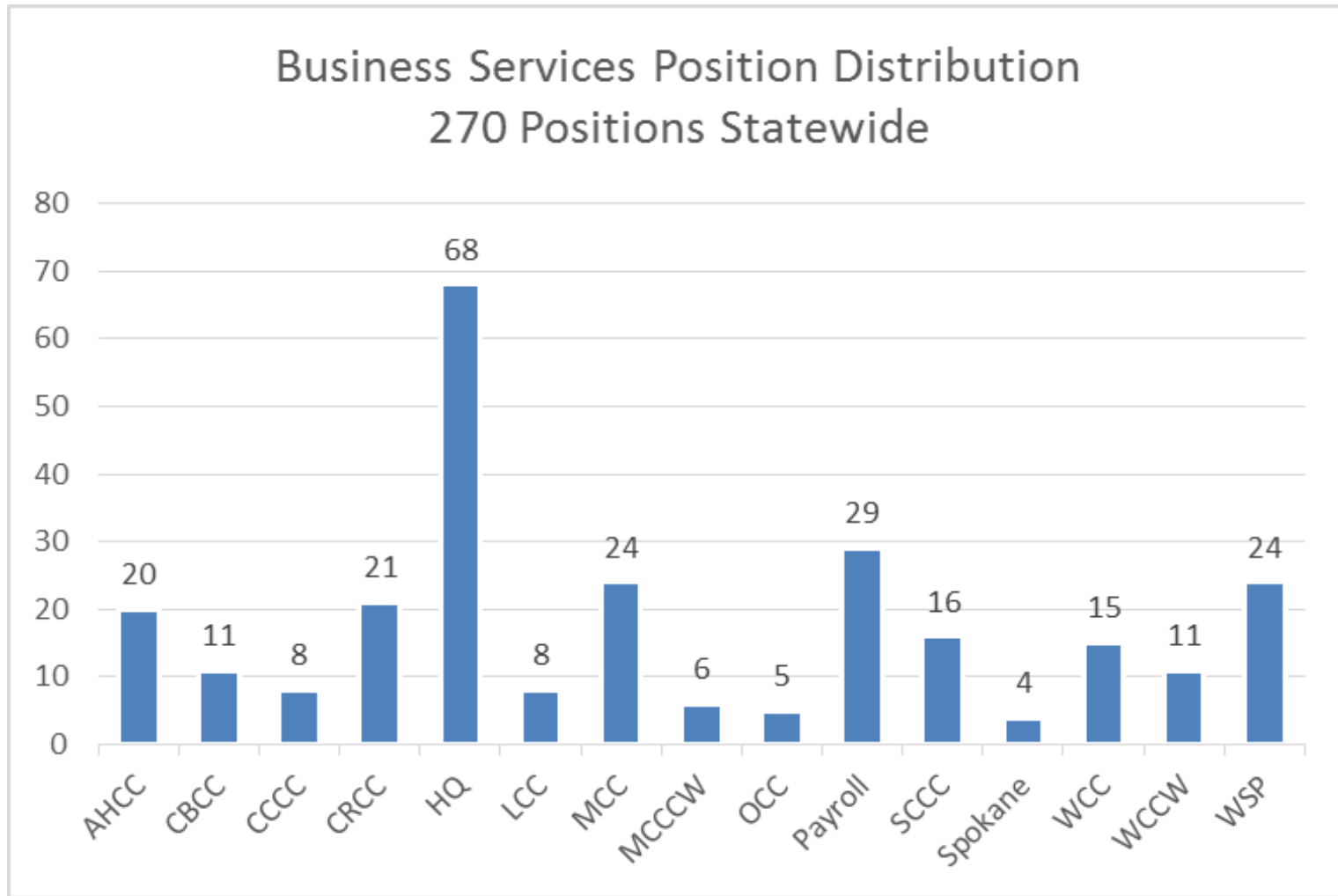
In the beginning...



# Developing Business Services Core Values

- ▶ Series of budget driven restructures 1999–2009
  - 15 autonomous business offices in Prisons
    - 5 regions in new Administrative Services Division
      - 4 regions
      - 3 regions
        - CENTRALIZED CORE BUSINESS OPERATIONS in 2009
- ▶ Need to define our organizational values to focus organizational efforts

# Business Services in Context



# Our Core Values

- ▶ Maximize the customer experience
- ▶ Engage, develop, and motivate staff to maximize their potential
- ▶ Right product, right place, right time
- ▶ Promote effective stewardship of state resources
- ▶ Enhance communication and collaboration to improve service delivery
- ▶ Provide relevant, accurate, timely advice and financial information
- ▶ Support and enhance the agency's compliance with governing laws

# Why we developed the Business Services Employee Recognition Program?

- ▶ Provide formal recognition, specific to Business Services operations, for individual and team accomplishments
- ▶ Provide opportunities to acknowledge employee performance and celebrate successes through active engagement in daily operations
- ▶ Reinforce Business Services Core Values
- ▶ Annual Agency Awards nomination consideration for Business Services award winners

# Award Categories

## ▶ Quarterly Awards

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## ▶ Annual Awards

- Innovation Award (individual/team)
- Supervisor/Manager of the Year (individual)
- Coach/Mentor of the Year (individual)
- Employee of the Year (individual)
- Comptroller's Leadership Award

# Nomination and Selection Process

- ▶ Any staff member can nominate
- ▶ Selection Committee representation includes HQ managers, Regional Business Manager, Local Business Advisor from a major and minimum facility, and three line staff
- ▶ Selection is by committee consensus
  - Committee member cannot vote if they are nominated in a category
  - Cannot have tie votes



# And the award goes to ...

## ▶ Recipients receive

- Personal call from Comptroller
- Core Value post-it note holder
- Core Value pin representing the award category
- Personalized recognition letter based on the nomination narrative
- Certificate of Achievement
- Worksite recognition event with peers and award presentation in person by Comptroller
- Awards are publicized on the Agency internal website article with photos

# Nominee Recognition

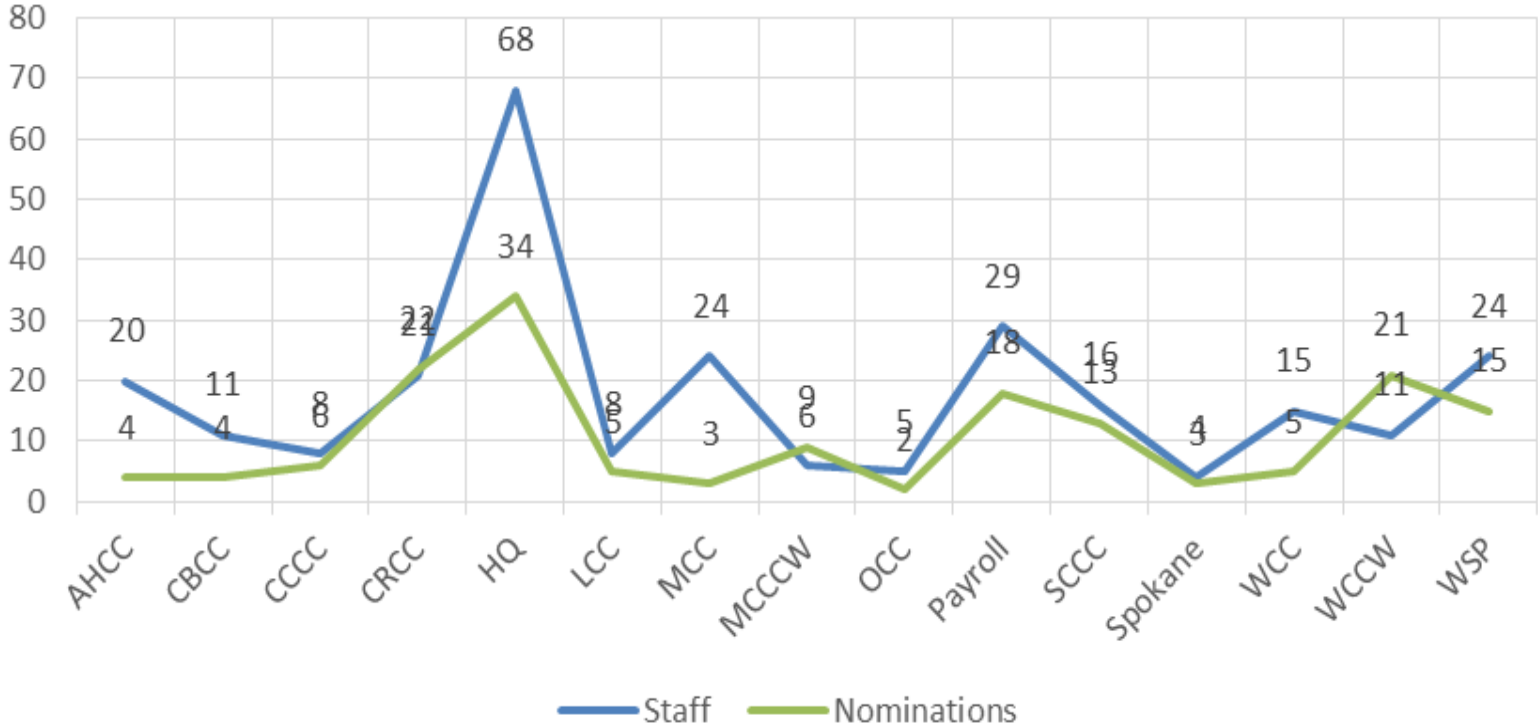
- ▶ Nominees receive a recognition letter
- ▶ Acknowledgement at local Comptroller's recognition if there are nominees from the winner's location
- ▶ Local Business Advisor recognize facility nominees at a local function

# By the Numbers

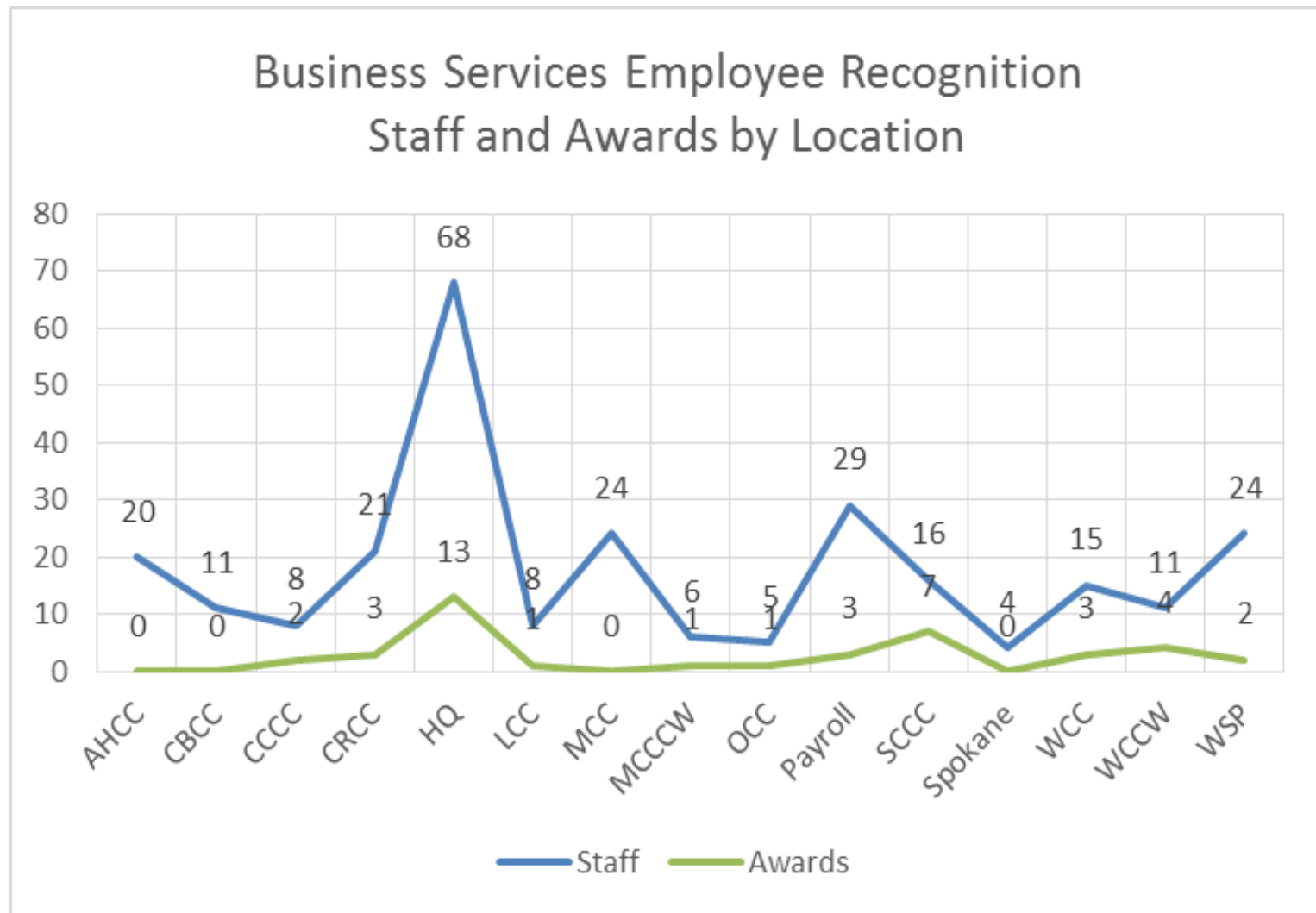
- ▶ Recognition program has been in existence for 8 quarters / 2 annual award cycles
- ▶ Business Services is comprised of 270 staff
- ▶ Total Nominations – 164
  - Individual nominations – 125
  - Team nominations – 25
- ▶ Total Awards Presented – 40
  - Individual awards given – 38
  - Team awards given – 2

# Number of Staff v. Nominations

Business Services Employee Recognition  
Staff and Nominations by Location

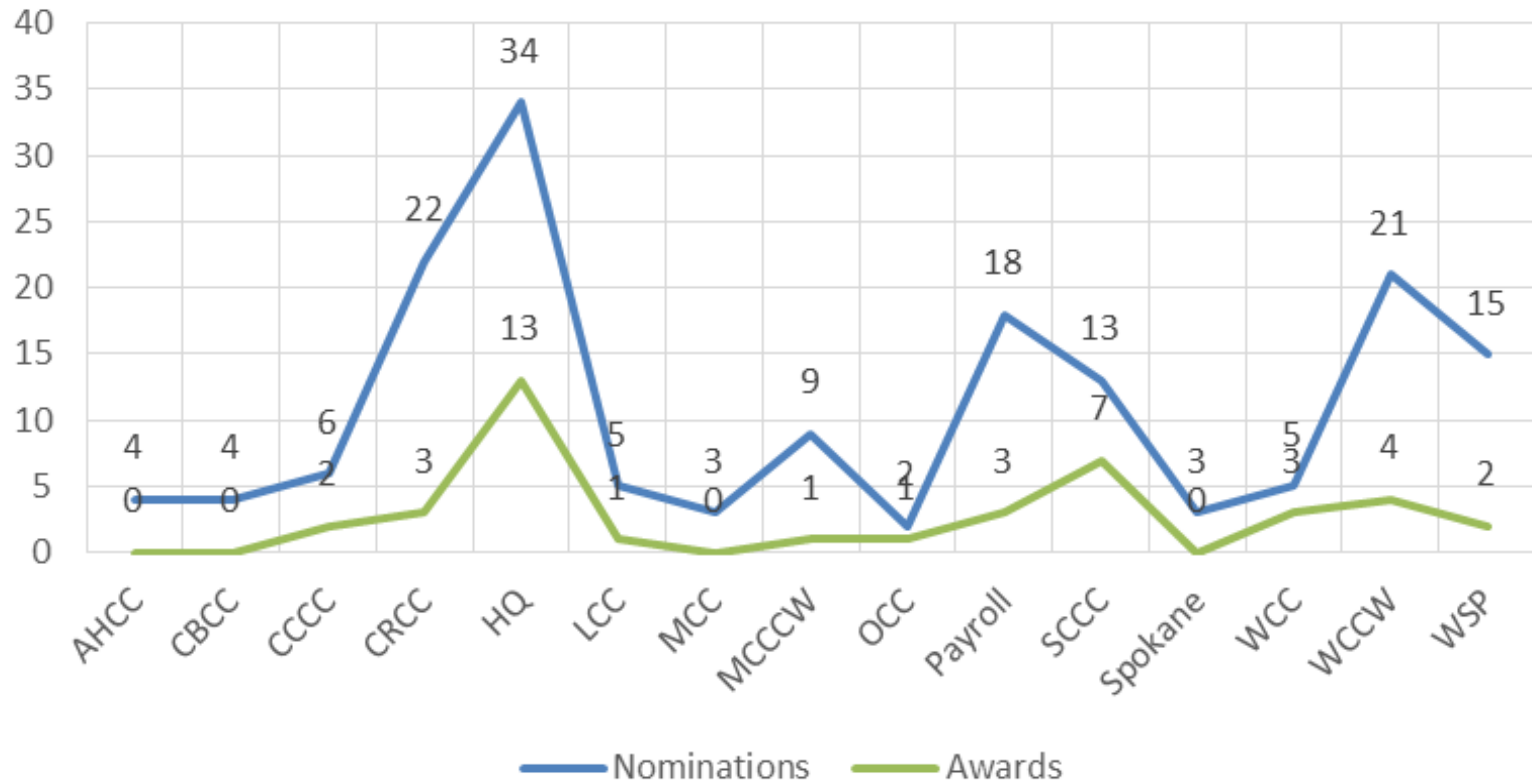


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# Number of Nominations v. Awards

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Nominations and Awards by Location



# How Do Locations Compare?

	No. of Positions	No. of Awards	Awards as a % of Staff
AHCC	20	0	0%
CBCC	11	0	0%
CCCC	8	2	25%
CRCC	21	3	14%
HQ	68	13	19%
LCC	8	1	13%
MCC	24	0	0%
MCCCW	6	1	17%
OCC	5	1	20%
Payroll	29	3	10%
SCCC	16	7	44%
Spokane	4	0	0%
WCC	15	3	20%
WCCW	11	4	36%
WSP	24	2	8%

# Employee Engagement Impacts

- ▶ **Business Services Year over Year Comparison**
  - (Business Services became part of Financial Services in the Office of the Deputy Secretary in December 2015)
- ▶ **Statewide Employee Engagement Survey**  
**Question “I receive recognition for a job well done.”**
  - 2015 – 51% said “always” or “almost always” (First two quarters of our program in second half of 2015)
  - 2016 – 58% (One full year of our program)



# What Else Impacts Employee Engagement?

- ▶ Informal recognition activities
  - Employee Supervisor Performance Review (ESPR) for supervisor to highlight and document good work performance
  - Thank you notes/post-its – a quick note of thanks or recognition posted in an employee’s work space
  - Visual boards to recognize
    - Successful unit projects/goals
    - Staff educational achievements
    - Promotions
    - Years of service anniversaries
  - iDOC “Kudos Corner” recognition

# Evolution/Lessons Learned

- ▶ Simplified categories – eliminated the rotating quarterly goal recognition
- ▶ Added Employee of the Year to broaden recognition
- ▶ Added recognition letters for nominees
- ▶ Leadership at all levels must support the program for sustainability
  - Personally nominate
  - Encourage staff to nominate
  - Expectations for on-site recognition events

# Next Steps

- ▶ Anonymous Survey Monkey on program effectiveness
- ▶ Analyze survey results and incorporate feedback
- ▶ Analyze program data and develop strategies to increase and diversify participation
  - Program publicity with customers
  - Call for nominations outside Business Services

In the End...

# Staff Appreciation

Four stars are positioned between the words 'Staff' and 'Appreciation'. Each star is yellow with a grey outline and a red center.

# Questions?

