



Realistic and achievable ideas to keep your employees motivated and happy







Loveable workplace ideas





Field trips

- Not just for the kids
- Consider free public areas like parks
- Pot luck to keep food costs low
- Use coupons!
- The important part is that everyone is relaxed and spending time together.



Have fun!

- Dress up for the holidays (Halloween, St. Patrick's Day, Ugly Sweater contest)
- Plan Happy Hours once a month
- Plan Pot Lucks for random months that need a pick me up (Chili contest, Apps We Love meal)





Recognition

- Do you have an award for your employees?
- Are managers in a position to reward on an individual basis?
- Are there departmental awards for success as a department?





CEO performance review





Eat with the best

- Meals with the boss
- Do you spend time helping your A Players be the best version of themselves?
- Often managers and CEOs spend a lot of time helping weak employees become good and forget that their better employees need some one-on-one time to become their best.



Get it right from the start

- Have an introductory breakfast with the team
- Schedule a lunch with key players
- Meet with each employee or department head oneon-one
- Make their business cards immediately
- Email is set up
- Provide a road map for the whole first week



Take care of the kids

- Remembering the staff's kids' birthdays is unique and appreciated
- Mark the day with a card signed by the whole staff, mail it to the employee's house, and include a simple \$5 or \$10 gift card for movies or books
- Employees love when the company remembers their family





Rhythmic alignment (Daily Huddle)





Celebrate birthdays





Live your core values

- Have your Core Values posted in a public place
- Post them at each desk
- Make them the criteria for awards
- Profile in company newsletter
- "Catch" people in the act
- Read them quarterly at big meetings
- As the CEO or Founder, live for all to see!



Explain

- Be transparent in your decisions
- Don't allow the staff to guess what you meant
- Ask for advice and ideas, but always explain why you made the choice you made as the boss



• Encourages future feedback!



Be candid. Yet tactful.

- Don't be passive aggressive
- Don't be the Mack Truck
- Hit them between the eyes! In a tactful way.
- Encourage your team to always be direct and honest
- Soap in the mailbox? NO!



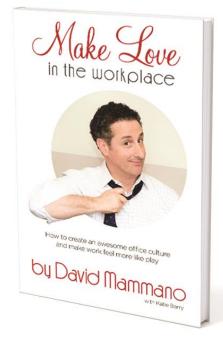
Transparent metrics

- Make your metrics visible
- Hold employees responsible for their metrics
- Transparency provides a team atmosphere to achieve goals
- Other departments may have ideas for growth when everyone know the company goals



Book Club

- Start a book club!
- Agree on a book and review it during month meetings
- Gets the whole staff on the same page (*literally*)





Paid week off for volunteering

- 40 hours of volunteering time a year
- Encourages your team to give back to the community
- Represents your company in a positive way
- A great recruiting and retention tool for new, young employees



No Toxic People Allowed.



YOU

can start the movement!



"A fish rots from the head down."

—Sicilian Proverb



Thank YOU!



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