

Laurie Whalen-Burgio

East Coast Leader of the Month

Organizational Director of Corporate Human Resources

Corporate HQ

Laurie has made a tremendous impact on Propark since she joined us in 2016. She made her first mark by single-handedly implementing the HR ticket system that she still manages. Laurie has led her team and the company in implementing current policies and procedures for Benefits, Employee Leave, Employee Relations, Investigations and so much more. Above and beyond the typical responsibilities of her position, she has also served tirelessly on the Kronos implementation team.

Yet, Laurie still had more to give. When the pandemic changed the world in March, 2020, Laurie began an unexpected journey of leading our company through the ins and outs of managing employees in a global health crisis, while guiding our managers through the quagmire of ever-changing CDC guidelines, straddled with maintaining compliance with city and state-specific employee labor laws.

You could say that Laurie's credentials play a part in this: she has a BA in Psychology and Management, an MS in Applied Psychology and Industrial/Organization Psychology, and she is the only SHRM-CP (Certified Professional with the Society for Human Resources) in the HR department. However, it is Laurie's unfailing work ethic and dedication to Propark that makes her stand out from her peers across all industries.

I am nominating Laurie for Leader of the Month because most of what she does is done anonymously and most people have no idea of the value she brings to Propark. Laurie, my colleague, is a true Leader and I am happy to nominate her this month.

Submitted by JoAnna Hamilton