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Dear DFA employees,

Next week marks the start of UC Irvine's co-worker appreciation week and I hope that each of you finds a way to participate in the celebratory and appreciation events. Please visit the [co-worker appreciation website](#) for additional details.

I want to sincerely thank you for your exceptional work in advancing our university's mission, vision, values, and strategic priorities. Your dedication, along with DFA's commitment to its [divisional strategic plan](#), not only enhances our organizational performance but also fosters a culture of innovation, process improvement, adaptability, and resilience. I'm deeply grateful for your contributions as we continue to make a lasting impact.

Key opportunity dates to engage and express your appreciation:

Monday, October 28 at 12 p.m.

- [Co-Worker Recognition Campaign Launches](#) (October 28-November 3) at 12 p.m.
Presented by Bright People, Brilliant Solutions | UCI Human Resources
- [Virtual Halloween Costume Contest](#) (October 25-November 4)
Presented by Staff Assembly
- [Virtual Scavenger Hunt Launches](#) (October 28-November 3) at 12 p.m.
Presented by Staff Assembly
- [Free Fitness Classes](#) (Ongoing throughout the week)
Presented by Campus Recreation Fitsquad Program
- [Discounted Tickets to UCI Sporting Events](#)
Presented by UCI Athletics

Thursday, October 31

- [Excellence in Leadership Awards from 12-1 p.m. via Zoom](#)
Presented by Staff Assembly

Once again, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your exceptional contributions to advancing our university's mission, vision, values, and strategic priorities. DFA's commitment to its strategic plan strengthens performance and fosters innovation, improvement, adaptability, and resilience.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou D. Ortiz
Chief Financial Officer
Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration