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## **Orange County Register's Best Places to Work of 2008**

Universal Services of America Ranked Within Top Ten Workplaces

**SANTA ANA, California (December 10, 2008)** – Universal Services of America, the company which includes the largest provider of security services to the commercial real estate market in Southern California, received two awards from the Orange County Register. The first, the Top Workplaces 2008 award, recognizes leading workplaces in Orange County and is given based on surveys from the company's staff. Of the 141 companies that were selected to participate, 52,357 employees were asked to respond to the surveys and Universal ranked No. 7 in the category with more than 500 workers.

Employees were asked to rate their companies based on categories such as fairness, flexibility, benefits and values. Universal knows employees are the cornerstone to their continued success and views them as their most valuable assets. The Orange County Register's Top Workplaces 2008 award is an honor that Universal is proud to accept.

"It has been an honor to have worked for UPS all these years," said Laurel Garcia, Office Manager and employee for 27 years at Universal Services of America. "It's been a pleasure to watch our company turn from a small business into the thriving corporation it is today."

The Orange County Register also acknowledged three companies with special awards for excellent work in a particular field. Universal was given the Peace award for their ability to maintain an open-door policy despite their rapid growth over the years. Universal's benefits, training programs, contests and profit-sharing plans are all part of the packages their employees receive.

"It is exciting to know that our employees appreciate and value our workplace and its culture," said Steve Jones, Co-CEO of Universal Services of America. "Our employees' commitment to our company's vision is what makes us so successful."

For additional workplace news, go to [http://www.universalpro.com/News\\_11-30-05.htm](http://www.universalpro.com/News_11-30-05.htm)

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