

## [Tulane essential employees recognized for their steadfast dedication](#)

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The Essential Employee Event on Oct. 22, 2024, recognized the steadfast dedication of Tulane's essential staff, offering an afternoon filled with joy, gratitude and community spirit. The essential employees' tireless work — ensuring smooth campus operations, robust security, engaging student life, efficient technology management, prompt payroll processing, and high standards for biosafety and environmental health standards — keeps our university excelling.

Celebrating on this beautiful fall day with the essential employees were Tulane leaders, Chief Operating Officer Patrick Norton, Provost Robin Forman, Chief Diversity Officer Anneliese Singh and Vice President of Human Resources and Institutional Equity Jonathan Small. They expressed their deep gratitude for the essential employees' role in maintaining campus safety and operations, especially during emergencies. Our essential employees' efforts during hurricanes, power outages and other challenges underscore their dedication to keeping Tulane running smoothly and maintaining a safe and welcoming environment.

The afternoon was filled with relaxation and fun, including food and drinks, along with lively games like egg and spoon, three-legged races, cornhole, bocce ball and energetic rounds of UNO. These activities brought smiles and a sense of friendly competition, showcasing the strong bonds within the Tulane community.

Tulane's success is built on the commitment and resilience of its people, particularly its essential employees, whose adaptability and dedication inspire and strengthen the university. The 2024 Essential Employee Event served as a heartfelt expression of appreciation and a reminder of the essential workforce's profound impact on the university's success.

See more moments and examples of camaraderie from the day in this [photo gallery](#).