

## Compass shines with Be A Star

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Compass Group UK & Ireland has launched its new look Be A Star recognition programme, to celebrate the incredible hard work and outstanding achievements of its people across the UK and Ireland.

Be A Star asks teams to nominate colleagues across three categories, who have gone above and beyond in: Helping Colleagues, Delighting Customers and Supporting Communities. These people work across Compass sectors including healthcare, education and sports and leisure, representing frontline heroes in roles such as cleaners and retail workers, to chefs and support teams.

80 deserving winners have now been celebrated at events in Twickenham Stadium, London; Aviva Stadium, Dublin; and Aston Villa, West Midlands. Winners were acknowledged for acts such as volunteering with charities, including a chef that gives up spare time to cook for the homeless; those going the extra mile to support others on a personal level; and people demonstrating commitment to sustainability, who improve practices within their site. One employee was even acknowledged for the truly remarkable act of saving someone's life by pulling them out of a reservoir and administering CPR.

The programme runs every quarter and each person is presented with a certificate, Be A Star pin and £/€250, as well as a day off with their nominator to enjoy a celebratory regional "lunch is on us" with other deserving colleagues at one of Compass' stand out venues. Each winner will then be put forward for the end of year overall 'Legend' title, who will take home a massive £10,000 or if in Ireland €10,000.

Donna Catley, Chief People Officer, Compass Group UK & Ireland, commented: "Our people are our greatest asset and we have thousands of individuals who are making a difference to the lives of those around them every single day. It's so important that we celebrate these successes and stories, to demonstrate the important role each and every person in our organisation has, but also the exceptional talent and efforts of our people. I'd like to say thank you to all our people, but a huge well done to our Be A

Star quarter one winners.”

Amanda Thompson from Compass’ Instore sector won a Be A Star Community Award. Her nominator Nick Hughes said: “Amanda dedicates her spare time to working as a volunteer to help the homeless in Manchester. During lockdown, Amanda and outreach group ‘Two Brews’ took to the streets daily to ensure the homeless were fed, clothed and kept warm at night. She has also taken part in numerous charity events and in March 2020 raised over £6,000.”

For all the winners and more detail on Be A Star visit – <https://www.compass-group.co.uk/be-a-star>

Compass’ Be A Star programme was paused during the Covid pandemic, with ‘Lockdown Legends’ and ‘Healthcare Heroes’ awards taking its place – to specifically acknowledge Covid related achievements. Be A Star relaunched late last year, with a simplified process making it easier to nominate and creating waves of recognition all year round. The first round of Be A Star saw over 1,000 nominations.