



## Delhaize America Ranks Among DiversityInc 2017 Top 11 Companies for Progress

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*"SPECIALTY LIST SUBSET OF PRESTIGIOUS "TOP 50 COMPANIES FOR DIVERSITY"*

Delhaize America proudly announced it is ranked 10th on the DiversityInc 2017 Top 11 Companies for Progress. DiversityInc announced the winners at diversity and inclusion's keystone event held at Cipriani Wall Street on Tuesday, May 2.

"We are proud to receive this recognition, which reinforces our commitment to cultivating an inclusive culture for all associates and customers throughout Delhaize America and its local brands, Food Lion and Hannaford," said Millette Granville, director of diversity and inclusion and associate engagement. Granville accepted the recognition on behalf of Delhaize America at the prestigious event.

The DiversityInc Top 50 list, issued yearly since 2001, recognizes the nation's top companies for diversity and inclusion management. These companies excel in such areas as hiring, retaining and promoting women, minorities, people with disabilities, LGBT and veterans.

"There are simply not enough qualified people to hire. A company's ability to find the best and brightest, advance and retain them equitably is a decisive competitive advantage," notes Luke Visconti, founder and CEO of DiversityInc. "The DiversityInc Top 50 have a decisive metrics-evidenced ability to treat people more fairly than other large companies. They also have a greater-than-average return for their shareholders."

DiversityInc's extensive annual survey yields an empirically driven ranking based on recruitment, talent development, senior leadership commitment and supplier diversity. This year's competition was improved by new survey questions, increased emphasis on fairness over chasing numbers and more sophisticated analysis from DiversityInc's data scientists.

For more information visit <http://www.diversityinc.com/top50> or follow the conversation at #DITop50.

### About Delhaize America

Delhaize America companies include Food Lion and Hannaford, operating more than 1,200 stores along the East Coast. Each banner has a distinct identity and well-established brand image within its respective markets across 16 states, offering market-specific products and services to meet the unique needs of its customers. The companies of Delhaize America employ more than 96,000 full-time and part-time associates. The company is part of Ahold Delhaize, an international grocery retailer based in Zaandam, Netherlands.

### About DiversityInc

The mission of DiversityInc is to bring education and clarity to the business benefits of diversity. The DiversityInc Top 50 Companies for Diversity list began in 2001, when many corporations were beginning to understand the business value of diversity-management initiatives. The 2017 Top 50 Companies for Diversity results will be featured on [DiversityInc.com](http://DiversityInc.com) and in DiversityInc magazine. DiversityInc is a VA certified veteran-owned business and a USBLN certified business owned by a person with a disability. For more information, visit [www.diversityinc.com](http://www.diversityinc.com) and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#) @DiversityInc.

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