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Dear DFA employees,

[Staff Appreciation Week](#) is here! This is a special time to celebrate the incredible dedication, teamwork, and contributions that make DFA—and UCI—a great place to work.

I want to take a moment to personally thank each of you for your hard work in advancing our strategic goals, upholding our values, and supporting the university's mission. Your resilience, innovation, and collaboration make a meaningful impact every day, and I am truly grateful to be part of this team.

As a small token of appreciation, my office has partnered with your departments to provide sweet & salty snacks for each staff member. **If Aldrich Hall is your primary workplace, snacks will be available in suite 455 starting tomorrow (Mar. 4).** For other departments, snacks will be delivered to your respective locations.

Ways to Engage & Celebrate:

- **Monday, March 3:** Check out [GreatWorkPerks](#) for a chance to win a \$50 gift card and Join the [UCI Good Things](#) Challenge.
- **Tuesday, March 4:** Bring a coworker for a “buy one, get one” [Together Tuesday](#) deal on select beverages.
- **Wednesday, March 5:** [Attend](#) the **Using Kindness to Achieve Personal Success & Happiness** webinar (12-1 p.m.).
- **Thursday, March 6:** [Join](#) the **University Credit Union – Master the 10 Steps to Financial Success** webinar (12-12:50 p.m.).
- **Friday, March 7:** Celebrate **National Employee Appreciation Day!**

Have a great staff appreciation week!

Sincerely,

Mary Lou D. Ortiz

Chief Financial Officer

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