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**50 FASTEST-GROWING WOMEN-OWNED/LED COMPANIES ANNOUNCED BY
WOMEN PRESIDENTS' ORGANIZATION**
11TH Annual Awards Ceremony Held in Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA – (May 3, 2018) – The Women Presidents' Organization (WPO) has announced the 11th annual ranking of the 50 Fastest-Growing Women-Owned/Led Companies during the WPO Annual Conference, in Los Angeles. The aggregate revenues of \$8.3 billion represent a \$1 billion increase from the 10th annual ranking last year. All 50 companies will be honored at a special event at the 2018 WPO Annual Conference at the Westin Bonaventure in Los Angeles on Thursday, May 3, 2018, 12:30pm – 2:15pm. Following the luncheon and awards ceremony, emceed by Anna Magzanyan, Publisher and CEO, the Los Angeles Business Journal, WPO will host a "Guide to Growth" panel featuring 50 Fastest honorees sharing advice for fellow WPO members working to increase businesses.

The top five winners of the WPO 50 Fastest-Growing Women-Owned/Led Companies include:

- **Pinnacle Group**, an industry-leading workforce solution firm in Dallas, TX, is the number one fastest growing women-owned/led business in this year's ranking, led by **Chairman and CEO Nina Vaca**.
- The second fastest growing women-owned/led company is **Orangetheory Fitness**, a fitness solutions company, run by **Ellen Latham**, based in Boca Raton, Florida, and last year's number one winner.
- In the number three spot is professional employer organization **Globalization Partners**, based in Boston. **Nicole Sahin is the company CEO**.
- The number four spot is **TKT & Associates Inc.**, a business management firm run by **Tierra Kavanaugh Wayne**, in Louisville, KY
- Ranked number five is **Phyllis Newhouse's Xtreme Solutions**, an IT Services and Solutions provider, specializing in information ethical hacking and cyber training solutions, is based in Atlanta.

"I am very impressed that the aggregate revenue of this year's winners is up \$1 billion from last year," said WPO President & Founder Dr. Marsha Firestone. "Women entrepreneurs have built their businesses into an economic powerhouse, with a significant impact on the economy and job growth."

All eligible companies were ranked according to a sales growth formula, combining percentage and absolute growth. To qualify for the ranking, businesses are required to be privately held, woman-owned/led companies and have reached annual revenues of at least \$500,000 as of January 1, 2013. Applicants are not required to be WPO members.

Additional facts about the 2018 WPO 50 Fastest:

- Average age of women-owner/leader is 51; half of the winners are in their 30's and 40's
- Aggregate revenue is \$8.3 billion, up \$1 billion from last year
- Average 2017 revenue was \$165.3 million
- Average number of employees on first day: 13; projected average for 2018: 799
- Funding sources at company start:
 - 70% with their own funds
 - 12% with funds from friends and family
 - 4% with a bank loan
 - 8% with a line of credit
 - 4% with a credit card
 - 4% with private investors/angels

The WPO is the premier peer advisory organization connecting women who own multi-million dollar companies. For more information, contact 212-688-4114 or visit www.womenpresidentsorg.com. Follow the WPO on [Twitter@womenpresidents](https://twitter.com/womenpresidents) and [Facebook@TheWPO](https://www.facebook.com/TheWPO).

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The 2018 50 Fastest-Growing Women-Owned/Led Companies are:

1	Pinnacle Group	Nina Vaca	Dallas, TX
2	Orangetheory Fitness	Ellen Latham	Boca Raton, FL
3	Globalization Partners	Nicole Sahin	Boston, MA
4	TKT & Associates, Inc.	Tierra Kavanaugh Wayne	Louisville, KY
5	Xtreme Solutions Inc.	Phyllis Newhouse	Atlanta, GA
6	American Fashion Network	Jacqueline Wilson	East Syracuse, NY
7	Quality Business Solutions, Inc.	Pamela Evette	Travelers Rest, SC
8	Maximum Games	Christina Seelye	Walnut Creek, CA
9	Anne Holland Ventures DBA Marijuana Business Daily	Cassandra Farrington	Denver, CO
10	Enseo	Vanessa Ogle	Richardson, TX
11	Atrium Staffing LLC	Rebecca Cenni	New York, NY
12	Adroit Partners, LLC	Kristi Johnson	Houston, TX
13	Akorbi	Claudia Mirza	Plano/TX
14	E2 OPTICS	Kristi Alford Haarberg	Englewood, CO
15	Influenster	Elizabeth Scherle	New York, NY
16	Streamlinevents, Inc.	Annette Chinn	Emeryville, CA
17	Data Systems Analysts, Inc.	Frances R. Pierce	Trevoze, PA
18	Morning Sun Financial Services	Rebecca Thomley	Golden Valley, MN
19	Administrative Strategies, LLC	Linda A Sullivan	Fishers, IN
20	Nugate Group, LLC	Jamila Stanford	San Jose, CA
21	StillPoint Capital	Amy C. Cross	Tampa, FL
22	CA South	Stacy Knight	Atlanta, GA
23	twelveNYC	Katie Conovitz	Brooklyn, NY
24	CJ Chemicals	Catherine J. Lee	Brighton, MI

25	LifeHealth, LLC	Margot Adam Langstaff	Littleton, CO
26	BrightStar Group Holdings, Inc.	Shelly Sun	Gurnee, IL
27	Merrimak Capital Company LLC	Mary Kariotis	Novato, CA
28	TalTeam, Inc.	Sudha Mathew	Herndon, VA
29	Ampcus Inc.	Ann Ramakumaran	Chantilly, VA
30	The Revel Group	Britt Whitfield	Chicago, IL
31	Anderson Burton	Joni Anderson, President	Arroyo Grande, CA
32	KaTom Restaurant Supply, Inc.	Patricia Bible	Kodak, TN
33	The Act 1 Group, Inc.	Janice Bryant Howroyd	Torrance, CA
34	Tribal Tech, LLC	Victoria Vasques	Alexandria, VA
35	Hawkins Point Partners	Heather Morris Kyer	North Chelmsford, MA
36	Xclusive Staffing	Diane Astley	Westminster, CO
37	RiverRoad Waste Solutions, Inc.	Kristen Bunnell	Tinton Falls, NJ
38	GlobalCare Clinical Trials, LLC	Gail Adinamis	Bannockburn, IL
39	Point 2 Point Global Security, Inc.	Stephanie Point	Addison, TX
40	Career Start	Lindsay McCutchen	Rochester, NY
41	Stronghold Engineering Inc	Beverly Bailey	Riverside, CA
42	Softpath System LLC	Sushumnaa Roy Jalajam	Norcross, GA
43	Indian Eyes LLC	Roxie Schescke	Pasco, WA
44	Innovative Office Solutions LLC	Jennifer Smith	Burnsville, MN
45	Swoon Staffing	Michelle Baker	Chicago, IL
46	Coranet Corp.	Margaret Marcucci	New York, NY
47	Sunstates Security, LLC	Kathryn Burrell	Raleigh, NC
48	McNDT Pipeline, Ltd	Cindy J McCain	Channahon, IL

49	Goldfish Swim School Franchising, LLC	Jenny McCuiston	Troy, MI
50	Butler/Till	Sue Butler	Rochester, NY