

**Kroger Named a Top 10 American Company for Inclusion**  
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CINCINNATI, Feb. 16, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) is honored to be named one of the top U.S. corporations for inclusion by Omnikal (formerly Diversity Business).

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Kroger was ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in the Omni50, which is a ranking of the top 50 corporate buyers of multicultural products and services throughout the U.S. Kroger was selected by more than two million women-and-minority-owned business owners that are part of the Omnikal community.

"Across the Kroger family of companies, we are committed to creating business opportunities for women-and-minority-owned businesses," said Reuben Shaffer, Kroger's chief diversity officer. "We are especially honored by this recognition because it is directly selected by diversity business owners in the U.S."

For more information about Omnikal and the Omni50, please visit [omnikal.com/awards/omni50-top-corporate-awards](http://omnikal.com/awards/omni50-top-corporate-awards).

Every day, the Kroger Family of Companies makes a difference in the lives of eight and a half million customers and 443,000 associates who shop or serve in 2,796 retail food stores under a variety of [local banner names](#) in 35 states and the District of Columbia. Kroger and its subsidiaries operate an expanding ClickList offering – a personalized, order online, pick up at the store service – in addition to 2,253 pharmacies, 787 convenience stores, 324 fine jewelry stores, 1,439 supermarket fuel centers and 38 food production plants in the United States. Kroger is recognized as one of America's most generous companies for its support of more than 100 Feeding America food bank partners, breast cancer research and awareness, the military and their families, and more than 145,000 community organizations including schools. A leader in supplier diversity, Kroger is a proud member of the *Billion Dollar Roundtable*.

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