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Nurse-Family Partnership Earns Highest Possible Rating from Charity Navigator

Prestigious Nonprofit Evaluator Reaffirms NFP as a Worthy Philanthropic Investment

DENVER, CO (May 5, 2010) — Nurse-Family Partnership® today announced that it has received a four-star rating from Charity Navigator, the highest possible rating awarded by the largest independent charity evaluator in the United States.

In a letter to Nurse-Family Partnership President & CEO Thomas R. Jenkins, Jr., Charity Navigator President & CEO Ken Berger said NFP's rating was due to "its ability to efficiently manage and grow its finances. ... Nurse-Family Partnership executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way, and outperforms most other charities in America. This 'exceptional' designation from Charity Navigator differentiates Nurse-Family Partnership from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust."

"We are greatly appreciative of Charity Navigator's recognition as an organization that deserves philanthropic investment," said Jenkins. "We are proud of our evidence-based approach to improving the lives of vulnerable families through nurse home visitation, and hope that Charity Navigator's vote of confidence will encourage donors to support our efforts to serve more low-income, first-time mothers nationwide."

The [Nurse-Family Partnership profile on Charity Navigator](#) indicates that NFP received a numeric score of 68.28, based on analyses of organizational efficiency and capacity. NFP's numeric score was on par with such charitable and nonprofit organizations as the Mayo Clinic, William Jefferson Clinton Foundation, Yale and Harvard universities, The Nature Conservancy, Teach for America, and many others.

According to Charity Navigator, only about one-quarter of all the charities they evaluate receive four-star ratings, signifying a total numeric score of 60 or higher. In the "Human Services: Children's and Family Services" category, NFP is one of only 59 charities nationwide—and the only Colorado nonprofit—with a four-star rating.

About Nurse-Family Partnership

The Nurse-Family Partnership National Service Office (www.nursefamilypartnership.org) is committed to producing enduring improvements in the health and well being of low-income, first-time parents and their children by helping communities implement and sustain an [evidence-based public health program](#) of home visiting by registered nurses. Nurse-Family Partnership is the most rigorously tested [maternal and early childhood health program](#) of its kind. Randomized, controlled trials conducted over 30 years demonstrate multi-generational outcomes that benefit society economically and reduce long-term social service expenditures. Nurse-Family Partnership is headquartered in Denver, Colorado.

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