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**A Chance In Life Earns Coveted Perfect Score Rating From Charity Navigator**

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NEW YORK — A Chance In Life was awarded a perfect score of 100 by Charity Navigator, the largest charity evaluator in the United States, placing the youth development organization among the top 70 out of 160,000 evaluated nonprofits. Fewer than 1% of ranked charities receive a perfect score, which Charity Navigator determines based on a nonprofit's financial responsibility, accountability and transparency in their work.

"It's important our donors trust that we're using their donations wisely to accomplish A Chance In Life's vision," said executive director Gabriele Delmonaco. "Our perfect rating by Charity Navigator demonstrates to our supporters our sector best practices in governance and financial accountability."

For the third consecutive year, A Chance In Life's strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency have also earned it a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, the highest possible rating awarded to an organization with a total score of 90 or higher.

Since 2002, using objective analysis, Charity Navigator has awarded only the most fiscally responsible organizations a 4-star rating. In 2011, the company added 17 metrics, focused on governance and ethical practices as well as measures of openness, to its ratings methodology. These Accountability & Transparency metrics, which account for 50 percent of a charity's overall rating, reveal which charities operate in accordance with industry best practices and whether they are open with their donors and stakeholders.

"A Chance In Life's exceptional 4-star rating sets it apart from its peers and demonstrates its trustworthiness to the public," according to Michael Thatcher, President & CEO of Charity Navigator. "Only a quarter of charities rated by Charity Navigator receive the distinction of our 4-star rating. This adds A Chance In Life to a preeminent group of charities working to overcome our world's most pressing challenges. Based on its 4-star rating, people can trust that their donations are going to a financially responsible and ethical charity when they decide to support A Chance In Life."

A Chance In Life's rating and other information about charitable giving are available free of charge on [www.charitynavigator.org](http://www.charitynavigator.org). More-detailed information about our rating is available to Charity Navigator site visitors who become registered users, another free service.

**ABOUT A CHANCE IN LIFE**

[A Chance In Life](#) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in New York dedicated to providing shelter, education and leadership development for at-risk youth in a unique way. Through on-the-ground partners in nine countries, A Chance In Life advances a "positive youth development" methodology that enhances young people's strengths, engages youth within the context of their communities, schools, organizations, peer groups and families, and encourages young people to make the connection between

individual actions and outcomes. A Chance In Life is cultivating the next generation of engaged and empowered young people through quality education, gender equity and capacity building.

**About Charity Navigator**

Charity Navigator, [www.charitynavigator.org](http://www.charitynavigator.org), is the largest charity evaluator in America and its website attracts more visitors than all other charity rating groups combined. The organization helps guide intelligent giving by evaluating the Financial Health and Accountability & Transparency of more than 8,000 charities. Charity Navigator accepts no advertising or donations from the organizations it evaluates, ensuring unbiased evaluations, nor does it charge the public for this trusted data. As a result, Charity Navigator, a 501 (c) (3) public charity itself, depends on support from individuals, corporations and foundations that believe it provides a much-needed service to America's charitable givers. Charity Navigator, can be reached directly by telephone at (201) 818-1288, or by mail at 139 Harristown Road, Suite 101, Glen Rock, N.J., 07452.

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