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Forty Carrots Family Center Earns Coveted 4-Star Rating From Charity Navigator

SARASOTA, FL – Forty Carrots Family Center’s sound fiscal management practices and commitment to accountability and transparency have earned it a 4-Star rating from Charity Navigator, America’s largest independent charity evaluator. This is the second consecutive time that Forty Carrots has earned this top distinction in its efforts to strengthen families in our community through educational programs for parents, children and professionals in the field.

Forty Carrots Family Center’s 4-star rating puts it in a very select group of high-performing charities, said Michael Thatcher, President & CEO of Charity Navigator.

“Forty Carrots’ supporters should feel confident that their hard-earned dollars are being used efficiently and responsibly when it acquires such a high rating,” he said. “Out of thousands of nonprofits Charity Navigator evaluates, only one out of four earns 4 stars – a rating that demands rigor, responsibility and commitment to openness.”

Since 2002, using objective, data-driven analysis, Charity Navigator has awarded only the most fiscally responsible organizations a 4-star rating. In 2011, Charity Navigator 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 have “best practices” that minimize the chance of unethical activities and whether they freely share basic information about their organization with their donors and other stakeholders.

“It’s important that our donors trust that we are using their contributions wisely to accomplish Forty Carrots Family Center’s mission,” said Michelle Kapreilian, executive director. “Our 4-star rating demonstrates to our supporters how seriously we take our fiduciary and governance responsibilities.”

Photograph Attached: Left to right: Ryder Mitchell, Caroline Piazza, Reese Lawrence, Magnus Bonasera

About Forty Carrots

Forty Carrots Family Center, www.fortycarrots.org, is guided by a vision that all parents will provide their children with experiences and environments that are emotionally and physically safe so that they can grow into capable and caring young people. In addition to its NAEYC-accredited Preschool and award-winning Parenting Center, the agency provided more than 1,200 free parenting education and mental health classes throughout the community last year.

About Charity Navigator

Charity Navigator, www.charitynavigator.org, is the largest charity evaluator in America. 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, nor does it charge the public for its data.

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