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MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE RATED IN THE 99TH PERCENTILE OF U.S. CHARITIES BY NATIONAL EVALUATOR CHARITY NAVIGATOR



MIAMI, November 1, 2018 – Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired has received its eleventh consecutive 4-star rating, the highest rating possible, from Charity Navigator, a distinction achieved by only 35 of the more than 9,000 charities rated in the United States. Miami Lighthouse is currently the only nonprofit in Miami to attaining this highly coveted status.

Miami Lighthouse President and CEO Virginia Jacko expressed pride in receiving Charity Navigator’s eleventh consecutive 4-star rating. “This consistent record of recognition by America’s premier evaluator of charitable organizations reflects Miami Lighthouse’s long-term commitment to providing the highest level of service to our 17,000 program participants and the highest degree of value to our donors,” said CEO Jacko.

“Only 1% of the charities we evaluate have received at least eleven consecutive 4-star evaluations, indicating that Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired outperforms most other charities in America,” wrote Michael Thatcher, Charity Navigator’s President and CEO. “This exceptional designation sets Miami Lighthouse apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness.”

Celebrating nearly 90 years of service to the community, Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired's mission is to provide vision rehabilitation, eye health services and education that promote independence, to collaborate with and train professionals, and to conduct research in related fields. Employing nationally recognized best practices and evidence-based curricula, programs for people throughout Miami-Dade County cover all ages ranging from early intervention for blind babies and Pre-Kindergarten for three- and four-year-old children to low vision rehabilitation for seniors. Our subsidiary, Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program, provides free eye care to underserved children throughout Florida. In 2018, Miami Lighthouse will serve over 17,000 individuals. For more information go to

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