



Community of Note

Place of Hope

PLACE OF HOPE OF PALM BEACH GARDENS NAMED ONE OF 11 CHARITIES NATIONWIDE 'THAT CHANGED THE WORLD IN 2014'

The Huffington Post places Palm Beach County's largest child welfare organization among the nation's best charities for its comprehensive work with youth



Palm Beach Gardens – Dec. 29, 2014 – Place of Hope, Palm Beach County's largest child welfare organization, was recently named by The Huffington Post as one of 11 charities "that changed the world in 2014," based on data from [Charity Navigator](#).

Place of Hope ranked highest in the category of "Youth Development, Shelter and Crisis Services" by Charity Navigator, the nation's largest charity rating service. Out of 100 points, Place of Hope earned a 99.21 for its Financial Health; a 98.89 for its Accountability & Transparency and 100 for its Results Reporting.

From the 68 highest- and lowest-ranked organizations by Charity Navigator, reporter Robbie Couch selected what he considered to be the 11 best and 11 worst charities nationwide on [Huff Post IMPACT](#).

Place of Hope was one of two Florida-based nonprofits to make The Huffington Post's picks of ones that "changed the world," and only one of four Florida nonprofits to be ranked #1 by Charity Navigator in their respective categories. The national distribution of its high scoring came as wonderful news to the leadership of Place of Hope.

"We pride ourselves on our fiscal responsibility and financial stewardship. When our donors and supporters give, they rightfully expect for their investments to be used in support of the mission – to give a nurturing home to neglected, abused and abandoned children," said Executive Director Charles Bender. "But for our

work and ranking by Charity Navigator to be recognized as ‘changing the world’ on a national stage is a terrific honor, and one that we happily share with our entire Place of Hope family.”

Headquartered in Palm Beach Gardens, Place of Hope is a faith-based, state-licensed child welfare organization that provides family-style foster care (emergency and long-term); family outreach and intervention; maternity care; safety for domestic minor sexually trafficked victims; transitional housing and support services; adoption and foster care recruitment and support; hope and healing opportunities for children and families who have been traumatized by abuse and neglect.

Currently, The Place of Hope at The Haven Campus in Boca Raton is home to eight foster children in the new Genesis Cottage that opened this summer, and the Quantum Foundation Alumni Impact Cottage is under renovation there to welcome more young women who have aged out of care. In 2015, Place of Hope will be researching expanding beyond Palm Beach County into Martin County with similar family-style, community-centric programs and outreach.

Place of Hope is located at 9078 Isaiah Lane in Palm Beach Gardens. For more information, please call 561-775-7195 or visit online at www.placeofhope.com.