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Girls Inc. of Carpinteria Earns Coveted Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator

CARPINTERIA, CA (September 4, 2018) – **Girls Inc. of Carpinteria** strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency have earned it a four-star rating from Charity Navigator, America's largest independent charity evaluator.

Since 2002, using objective analysis, Charity Navigator has awarded only the most fiscally responsible organizations a four-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 operate in accordance with industry best practices and whether they are open with their donors and stakeholders.

On June 1, 2016, Charity Navigator upgraded its methodology for rating each charity's financial health with CN 2.1. These enhancements further substantiate the financial health of four-star charities.

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

"It's important our donors trust that we're using their donations wisely to accomplish Girls Inc.'s mission to inspire girls to be strong, smart and bold," said Victoria Juarez, executive director of Girls Inc. of Carpinteria. "Our four-star Charity Navigator rating demonstrates to our supporters our good governance and financial accountability."

Girls Inc. of Carpinteria's rating and other information about charitable giving are available free of charge on www.charitynavigator.org. For more information about Girls Inc. of Carpinteria, please call (805) 684-6364 or visit www.girlsinc-carp.org.

About Charity Navigator

Charity Navigator, 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.

About Girls Inc. of Carpinteria

Girls Inc. of Carpinteria is a member of Girls Incorporated®, a nonprofit organization that inspires all girls to be strong, smart, and bold. With local roots dating to 1864 and national status since 1945, Girls Inc. has responded to the changing needs of girls through research-based programs and public education efforts that empower girls to understand, value, and assert their rights. We provide programs for girls 6 to 18 years old that focus on science, math, and technology; health and sexuality; economic and financial literacy; sports skills; leadership and advocacy; and media literacy. To learn more, become a volunteer or offer support, please visit www.girlsinc-carp.org/.

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