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Kansas City-based nonprofit receives highest rating for financial health & transparency, 7 consecutive years

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — <u>The Global Orphan Project</u> (GO Project) recently received a <u>4/4-star rating</u> for the 2018 fiscal year from <u>Charity Navigator</u>, America's independent charity evaluator. Charity Navigator's highest rating indicates GO Project "exceeds industry standards and outperforms most charities in its Cause." This is the seventh consecutive year GO Project has maintained this rating, placing them among only 7 percent of charitable organizations in the United States who have achieved the same, indicating that The Global Orphan Project outperforms most other charities in America.

Charity Navigator works to provide donors with essential information to give them greater confidence in both the charitable decisions that they make and the nonprofit sector. They do so by providing indepth, objective ratings and analysis of the financial health, accountability and transparency of America's largest charities. Attaining a four out of a possible four star rating verifies that The Global Orphan Project exceeds industry standards and outperforms most charities in their area of work.

"There is nothing more important to healthy partnerships than trust," said Trace Thurlby, GO Project president. "When partners trust each other, their chances of success increase dramatically. Charity Navigator's objective assessment facilitates trust. We're grateful for Charity Navigator. They make us better, and as a result, more children who need family win."

Charity Navigator's rigorous <u>evaluation methodology</u> considers program expenses, relative to administrative and fundraising expenses, fundraising efficiency and liabilities. They also evaluate transparency performance, including information accessible on its Form 990, such as independent board members, audited financials, CEO salary and a whistleblower policy, as well as information on their website, such as a donor privacy policy, key staff and audited financials.

One of the strongest financial distinguishers for GO Project comes in the form of its "<u>100 Percent</u> <u>Commitment</u>". A group of dedicated donors covers GO Project's administrative and fundraising expenses, so 100% of public donations are directed to care for vulnerable kids and families.

## About The Global Orphan Project

Headquartered in the heart of Kansas City and founded in 2004, The Global Orphan Project, Inc. (GO Project) exists to break the orphan cycle through the power of community, commerce and the love of Jesus. Setting traditional institutional orphan care models aside, we're connecting a global family united by a shared vision to care for children and vulnerable families along the entire spectrum: Orphan Prevention, Orphan Care and Transition. Focusing on one child at a time, we provide sustainable, local, family-style support and care that is deeply rooted in compassion and hope. GO Project believes that every child deserves a chance, and whenever possible, a healthy family is the best option for every child. To learn more, visit goproject.org.

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