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## Children's Village, CSH, BronxWorks Win 2013 Nonprofit Excellence Awards

The Children's Village, CSH and BronxWorks are the winners of this year's annual New York Community Trust-New York Magazine Nonprofit Excellence Awards, which celebrate outstanding management practices by nonprofits. Selected from 62 applicants through an intensive, nine-month judging process, the winners represent the Bronx, Manhattan, and Westchester. Results were announced yesterday and given \$60,000 in prizes at the Scholastic Auditorium in SoHo.

"I'm delighted to see the smart practices of our 2013 award winners," said Michael Clark, President of the Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York, which manages the Awards program along with The Trust and Philanthropy New York, and with co-sponsors New York Magazine and WNYC. "The winning nonprofit organizations combine ingenuity and intelligent management strategies that should inspire other nonprofits."

Winners were selected because of excellence in eight areas of management: focus on results; governance structure; financial management; human resources; diversity and responsiveness; IT practices; communications; and fundraising.

The winners were selected by a 33-member judging committee from a field that had been winnowed to ten semifinalists and six finalists. The winners:

The Children's Village, winner of the Gold Prize, works in partnership with families to help society's most vulnerable children, so that they become educationally proficient, economically productive, and socially responsible members of their communities.

"We are enormously proud to be in the company of all of the exemplary organization who have been recognized through this award. I congratulate our staff and trustees who have made this recognition possible," said Jeremy Kohomban, President and CEO of The Children's Village.

CSH, the Silver Prize winner, helps build housing that lets those most in need, the homeless and disabled, connect to homes, health care, jobs, and the community.

"An integral part of our work that often goes without public recognition are the internal systems that allow us to achieve our mission of providing supportive housing opportunities for those most in need. We are truly honored to win the Nonprofit Excellence Awards," said Deborah De Santis, CSH President.

BronxWorks, winner of the Bronze Prize, helps individu-

als and families in the Bronx improve their economic and social well-being through job skills training, homeless outreach, services for people with HIV/AIDS, preschools and summer camps, eviction prevention programs, and more.

"BronxWorks is extremely honored to have been selected for a 2013 Nonprofit Excellence Award," says Eileen Torres, the organization's interim Executive Director. "This is a great moment for us as a Bronx-based institution and as a member of the New York City settlement house system."

Founded in 1972, BronxWorks has been a United Neighborhood Houses member since 1993.

The Gold Prize winner receives \$30,000, Silver Prize receives \$20,000 and Bronze Prize receives \$10,000.

"The techniques of the best-run nonprofits offer great lessons to scores of other nonprofits as well as small businesses across New York State," said Lorie Slutsky, President of The New York Community Trust.

"Congratulations to all of this year's applicants, and especially our three winners, for sharing their practices with us and demonstrating the best of our sector," said Ronna Brown, President of Philanthropy New York. "Having the awards ceremony double as a learning opportunity embodies what the Nonprofit Awards are all about — the exceptional skills and methods that enable our sector to serve so many diverse communities."

"I want to recognize the members of the Selection Committee who worked deliberately and diligently during a nearly year-long review process. Their task was made all the harder due to the high quality of the six finalist organizations," said Hildy Simmons, chair of the Selection Committee for the 2013 Nonprofit Excellence Awards.

Since the first Nonprofit Excellence Awards in 2007, over 550 nonprofit organizations have applied for the Awards, and 21 have been recognized for their management excellence. For a list of past winners go to <http://npexcellence.fcny.org/npea/winners/>.

NPCC created the Nonprofit Excellence Awards in 2007 and serves as the tax-exempt manager of the program, in collaboration with The New York Community Trust and Philanthropy New York. New York Magazine and WNYC co-sponsor the program, which is also supported by The Clark Foundation, Taconic Foundation, McGladrey LLP, the Fund for the City of New York, Programs in Social Enterprise in Executive Education at Columbia Business School, and Ford Foundation