



Senior Transportation Service Awards Announced **The Beverly Foundation announces \$150,000 in 2010 STAR Awards**

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Albuquerque, Ne Mexico. Today, the Beverly Foundation announced the completion of its 2010 STAR Search/STAR Awards Selection process. In making the announcement, Ruth Covell, a Foundation trustee and STAR Award reviewer said "We received almost 400 applications which were reviewed by professionals from across the country, and while it was exceptionally difficult to select so few from so many, we believe this year's STAR Award winners are truly "the best of the best". The STAR Award recipients for 2010 are listed below.

Three STAR Award Categories

- #1 *Transportation services for seniors with **dementia***
- #2 *Transportation services for seniors in **rural America***
- #3 **Business practices** in transportation services for seniors

STAR Awards for Excellence (\$10,000 each)

- #1 Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County of San Jose, California
- #1 Jewish Family Service of Metro Detroit of West Bloomfield, Michigan
- #1 Meadowlink of Wood-Ridge, New Jersey

- #2 Ecumen dba Parmly LifePointes of Chisago City, Minnesota
- #2 Faith in Action Northern Plains of Valley City, North Dakota
- #2 Palmer Senior Citizens Center, Inc. of Palmer, Alaska

- #3 Knoxville-Knox County CAC of Knoxville, Tennessee
- #3 St. Anselm's Cross-Cultural Community Center of Garden Grove, California
- #3 Surrey Services for Seniors of Berwyn, Pennsylvania

STAR Special Recognition Awards (\$7,500 each)

- #1 Brevard Alzheimer's Foundation of Melbourne, Florida
- #1 Senior Services of Midland, Michigan
- #2 Klickitat County Senior Services of Goldendale, Washington
- #2 Community Action of Orleans & Genesee of Albion, New York
- #3 Ride Connection of Portland, Oregon
- #3 Faith in Action Caregivers, Inc. of Wheeling, West Virginia

Trustee Commendation Awards (\$5,000 each)

- La Vida Felicidad, Inc. of Socorro, New Mexico
- Levindale Hebrew Geriatric Center and Hospital of Baltimore, Maryland
- Special Transit of Boulder, Colorado
- SilverRide of San Francisco, California (honor only)

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"This is the first year the Foundation's Trustees have made special commendation awards to STAR Award applicants with unique services and we are pleased to recognize their contributions in meeting the mobility and transportation needs of older adults." Said Don Pearson, Chairman of the Beverly Foundation.

A full report on the process and results of the 2010 STAR Search/STAR Awards program will be available on the Foundation's website in mid-August.

About the Beverly Foundation

The Beverly Foundation, headquartered in Albuquerque, New Mexico, undertakes research, education, and assistance to encourage and facilitate mobility and transportation for older adults. The Foundation makes STAR Awards in conjunction with its STAR Search survey which was first undertaken in 2000. The survey has continued annually since that time, and has gathered data on 1,300 unduplicated STPs (Supplemental Transportation Programs for seniors) from all 50 states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

For more information about the Beverly Foundation, the 2010 STAR Search/STAR Awards program, and other STAR Search/Star Awards reports; to learn about senior transportation and STPs in America; and to become informed about volunteer driver programs in America, please visit www.beverlyfoundation.org.

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