



**Energy Outreach Colorado**

*Helping all Coloradans afford home energy.*

# News Release

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### **Energy Outreach Colorado Receives Ninth Consecutive Top Rating**

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**DENVER** – Energy Outreach Colorado (EOC), a statewide non-profit that supports low-income energy assistance and affordable housing efficiency programs, this month received its ninth consecutive top rating from Charity Navigator, an independent charity evaluator.

Charity Navigator annually ranks the financial health of more than 5,000 charities in the country. Of those, just one percent has received the top four-star ranking for nine consecutive years. Energy Outreach Colorado is included in its list of the 10 charities with the most consecutive 4-star ratings.

“Energy Outreach Colorado consistently executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way, and outperforms most other charities in America,” stated Ken Berger, president and CEO of Charity Navigator, in Energy Outreach Colorado’s award letter. “This ‘exceptional’ designation from Charity Navigator differentiates Energy Outreach Colorado from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust.”

Energy Outreach Colorado has raised more than \$139 million for energy assistance and energy efficiency programs since it was established in 1989. This fiscal year it plans to distribute more than \$7 million for energy assistance grants to 131 emergency assistance organizations across the state. It also plans to implement energy efficiency upgrades at about 50 Colorado nonprofit facilities and about 1,000 affordable housing residences.

“We’re extremely proud of this honor and we greatly appreciate our generous donors and the assistance and affordable housing agencies that partner with us to help all Coloradans afford home energy,” said Skip Arnold, executive director of Energy Outreach Colorado.

## **About Energy Outreach Colorado**

Energy Outreach Colorado is the only independent, non-profit organization in the state that raises money to help low income Coloradans afford home energy. Since 1989, EOC has distributed \$139 million to fund programs for energy assistance and energy efficient affordable housing. Energy Outreach Colorado relies on private donations, corporate contributions and foundation grants. It has received top ratings from Charity Navigator for nine consecutive years and is an accredited charity member of the Better Business Bureau. Energy Outreach Colorado, [www.EnergyOutreach.org](http://www.EnergyOutreach.org), can be reached at 303-825-8750 or at 225 E. 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ste. 200, Denver, CO 80203-1612.