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**THE HOPE OF SURVIVORS HONORED AS 2012 TOP-RATED NONPROFIT  
*New GreatNonprofits.org Award is Based on Positive Online Reviews***

Omaha, NE, November 25, 2012 —The Hope of Survivors announced today that it has been honored with a prestigious 2012 Top-Rated Award by GreatNonprofits, the leading provider of user reviews about nonprofit organizations.

“We are excited to be named a Top-Rated 2012 Nonprofit,” says Samantha Nelson, VP & CEO of The Hope of Survivors. “We are proud of our accomplishments this year, including providing direct support to nearly 100 new victims, conducting training sessions at grade schools and universities, presenting seminars for victims and their spouses (in English and Spanish), expanding our outreach in Romania, Canada, and within the Spanish-speaking communities, and actively pursuing the purchase of a suitable property to establish a respite for victims where they can heal and overcome this devastating abuse.”

The Top-Rated Nonprofit award was based on the large number of positive reviews that The Hope of Survivors received—reviews written by volunteers, donors and clients. People posted their personal experience with the nonprofit. For example, one person wrote, *“Hope of Survivors was a life line to me at a time when I needed help the most. ...They walked me through challenges, understood my situation, and encouraged me that things would get better. When I experienced Clergy Sexual Abuse, I thought my world would end and I would not be able to function again. I knew that the one place that would always listen was only an email away. Samantha and Steve have watched me heal and grow. They wept with me and they now rejoice with me as they see God restore every bit that was stolen. Hope of the Survivors has been a light in the darkness.”*

Being on the Top-Rated List comes at an important time of the year, as donors look for causes to support during the holiday season.

“We are gratified by The Hope of Survivors for its work,” said Perla Ni, CEO of GreatNonprofits, “They deserve to be discovered by more donors and volunteers who are looking for a great nonprofit to support.”

Being on the Top-Rated list gives donors and volunteers more confidence that this is a credible organization. The reviews by volunteers, clients and other donors show the on-the-ground results of this nonprofit. This award is a form of recognition by the community.

### **About The Hope of Survivors**

The Hope of Survivors provides support, hope and healing for victims of clergy sexual abuse, as well as educational and informational materials and seminars to pastors and churches of every denomination, worldwide.

### **About GreatNonprofits**

GreatNonprofits is the leading site for donors and volunteers to find reviews and ratings of nonprofits. Its mission is to inspire and inform donors and volunteers, enable nonprofits to show their impact, and promote greater feedback and transparency. [www.greatnonprofits.org](http://www.greatnonprofits.org)

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