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## **Dutchess County SPCA receives four star rating for finances**

**HYDE PARK, NY** – The Dutchess County SPCA has received Charity Navigator’s four star rating for their ability to efficiently manage their finances. This puts the Dutchess County SPCA in the top 19% of non profit organizations in the nation.

Charity navigator stated in a letter dated May 7, 2009, that “receiving four out a possible four stars indicates that your organization excels, as compared to other charities in America in successfully managing the finances of your organization in an efficient and effective manner. This consistency in your rating is an exceptional feat, especially given the economic challenges many charities have had to face in the last year.”

Charity Navigator has become the nation’s largest and most utilized evaluator of charities. Their professional analysts examine thousands of non profit financial documents to assign a rating through an unbiased and objective system.

The Dutchess County SPCA has received the highest rating of four stars for the second consecutive year.

The Dutchess County SPCA, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, is the lead agency for animal rescue and adoption in Dutchess County. The DCSPCA is a no-kill shelter with a 138-year history of concern, caring and providing shelter for unwanted, abused, abandoned and neglected animals. Central to the mission of the DCSPCA is the securing of caring, responsible, permanent homes for the adoptable animals in its care.

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