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Brevard Achievement Center Again Wins Coveted State Award From RESPECT of Florida

Rockledge, Fla. – RESPECT of Florida, a division of the Florida Association of Rehabilitation Facilities (Florida ARF), presented the Brevard Achievement Center (BAC) with the Employment Center of the Year –Products award at its annual awards ceremony held in Clearwater Beach. Dayle Olson, President, accepted the award for the Center.

The award for Employment Center of the Year – Products is given to honor excellence in product quality, timely delivery and prompt, accurate invoicing. The BAC is one of over 100 non-profit organizations within the state of Florida that offer employment training opportunities to persons with disabilities including delivering products and services to local and state government agencies. Through RESPECT of Florida, these agencies purchase the products and services they need and, in turn, give persons with disabilities the chance to learn valuable employment skills.

“Every day we are committed to supplying quality products and excellent customer service to the over 150 agencies we serve,” said Olson. “It is not only an honor to again be the recipient of this award, but to know that our efforts are being recognized.”

The BAC also has received awards from RESPECT of Florida for Employee of the Year – Products and Services, given to an employee who has achieved individual employment objectives, as well as personal, residential and socialization goals; Rookie of the Year, given to an employee who has worked less than one year on a RESPECT product or service and has demonstrated optimism and determination; and Most Improved Employee of the Year, given to an employee who has worked on the same RESPECT product or service for at least six months and has shown great professional improvement. For more information about RESPECT of Florida, visit www.respectofflorida.org.

The Brevard Achievement Center (BAC) was established in 1968 by a group of parents and community members concerned about the lack of vocational services for persons with disabilities. Today its mission, to assist individuals with disabilities so they achieve vocational and social independence, is fulfilled by approximately 89 staff members throughout its headquarters in Rockledge, Fla., Titusville and Melbourne. The Center serves over 4,200 clients via 14 programs including Ability One which allows clients the chance to integrate into the work force at one of eight contracted federal employment sites in Florida and Puerto Rico. BAC is a nationally accredited 501(c)(3) non-profit agency recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF International) and is a United Way partner. For more information, visit www.bacbrevard.com or call (321) 632-8610.

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