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**NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE ASSOCIATION CEO  
RECEIVES CHARLIE JOINER AWARD**

**SAN DIEGO** – Rudolph A. Johnson, III, President and CEO of San Diego County’s largest multi-purpose human services agency, the Neighborhood House Association (NHA), is a recipient of the 2010 Charlie Joiner Winning Spirit Award. Johnson, along with six other accomplished San Diegans, was honored at an awards dinner on June 25.

Mr. Johnson received the award for his commitment to helping San Diegans in need through his leadership role at NHA. In four years of service with the organization, Mr. Johnson has managed to turn NHA around to become one of the region’s most viable, effective nonprofit organizations.

“As a preschool child, I attended NHA’s Head Start program and am now a shining example of how social service programs really can make a difference,” said Johnson. “In being recognized with this honor, I feel like I’m truly living the American dream.”

Prior to joining NHA, Mr. Johnson served eight years with the San Diego Convention Center, seven of those years as general manager of the center. Prior to that, he spent nine years working for the City of San Diego.

The Charlie Joiner Winning Spirit Awards ceremony is part of the annual Charlie Joiner Celebrity Invitational Golf Tournament, which is chaired by its namesake and NFL Legend Charlie Joiner and benefits Skill Centers of America. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year this award has been given out. Past recipients include former professional athletes such as Dan Fouts, Kellen Winslow and Evander Holyfield, as well as business and nonprofit leaders.

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**About Neighborhood House Association (“Committed to Excellence”)**

NHA helps thousands of individuals and families improve their quality of life through a network of 10 programs in more than 100 locations throughout San Diego County. Further information is available at [www.neighborhoodhouse.org](http://www.neighborhoodhouse.org)