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**THREE RIVERS PARK DISTRICT FOUNDATION EARNS CHARITIES
REVIEW COUNCIL'S MEETS STANDARDS® SEAL**

Plymouth, MN. November 21, 2017 — Three Rivers Park District Foundation recently received Charities Review Council's Meets Standards® seal, a visual marker on nonprofit strength.



Nonprofit organizations, such as Three Rivers Park District Foundation earn the Meets Standards® seal by voluntarily participating in Charities Review Council's Accountability Wizard® review process. The only web-based product of its kind, the Accountability Wizard® is a time-tested tool, elevated by nationally recognized capacity building practitioners and philanthropic thought leaders.

The Accountability Wizard® is based on Charities Review Council's 25 Accountability Standards®, a balance of nonprofit sector promising practices, public expectations, and legal requirements, representing the shared expectations between donors and nonprofits. The review process examined four key areas: Public Disclosure, Governance, Financial Activity, and Fundraising.

As a result, Three Rivers Park District Foundation has aligned its practices, policies and procedures to widely accepted standards of accountability, leading them to greater strength, efficacy and to the achievement of the Meets Standards® seal.

By participating in the Accountability Wizard® review process, Three Rivers Park District Foundation demonstrates responsibility, integrity and transparency to donors as well as the general public.

Three Rivers Park District Foundation's full review report is available online at www.smartgivers.org, and the organization will also be listed in Charities Review Council's bi-annual Smart Giver Newsletter.

For more information about Three Rivers Park District Foundation, contact Chris Boyer at 763-559-6760 or chris.boyer@threeriversparks.org, and visit www.threeriversparksfdn.org.

About Three Rivers Park District Foundation

Three Rivers Park District Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that supports Three Rivers Park District in a variety of ways. The Foundation's mission is "Connecting *everyone* to the wonders of our parks." Founded in 1986, the Foundation provides funding for important outdoor programs such as Explorer Camps, Adapted recreation programs, and the one-of-a-kind Parks on the Go outreach van, which helps bring park experiences directly to under-represented communities.

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