

Center for Cyber Safety and Education Named 2018 Non-Profit Organization of the Year

Clearwater Regional Chamber of Commerce Selects Center for Its Cyber Safety Education Leadership

CLEARWATER, FL, USA, January 31, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Center for Cyber Safety and Education (Center) announced the Clearwater Regional Chamber of Commerce has named the Center 2018 Non-Profit Organization of the Year.

"We are deeply honored to receive this recognition, especially in our local community," said Patrick Craven, Director of the Center. "This award fuels our mission to ingrain cyber safety education into our culture so that everyone growing up or living in the digital age can protect themselves online. It also acknowledges the tireless work of the Center's staff and volunteers around the world."

It is the Center's goal to make the cyber world a safer place for everyone through:

• Educational programs: <u>Safe and Secure Online</u> offers interactive safety education materials for children, parents, educators and senior citizens. The children's materials feature Garfield and friends tackling cyber safety issues, including privacy, the dangers of posting online, online etiquette, cyberbullying, and more.



Center for Cyber Safety and Education Accepts Award for 2018 Non-Profit of the Year

•<u>Cybersecurity scholarships</u>: To date, the Center has granted over \$1 million to women, military veterans, undergraduate and graduate students around the world.

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• Cybersecurity workforce research: In 2017, the Center released the bi-annual <u>Global Information Security Workforce Study</u>, the perennial study on the state of the cybersecurity workforce worldwide.

Carol Hague, President and CEO of the Chamber, commented, "Technology is interwoven into virtually every aspect of our lives. It's essential that we, as a society, learn to protect ourselves online. The Center was chosen by the judges as Non-Profit of the Year for being on the forefront of making cyber safety education not only a priority but as accessible and engaging as possible. The fact that the Center

is protecting and educating children creates a legacy of a safer environment. They embody the adage, 'Think globally, act locally."

"This award will help us continue to spread the word about our important educational programs on online safety and the ability to reach as many children, parents, teachers, employees and senior citizens as possible in our home community and beyond," adds Craven. "Even though our Safe and Secure Online program is being used to protect people around the world, it is fantastic to see local organizations such as the Suncoast YMCA, Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County, and the Pinellas County Public Libraries, to name a few, embrace the effort to make it a safer cyber world."

The Center is the charitable trust of (ISC)², a global not-for-profit professional association of over 130,000 certified cybersecurity experts around the world. Since 2002, Clearwater has been home to (ISC)², which created the Center for Cyber Safety and Education in 2011 to make the cyber world safer for all.

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