## NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION AND FASTWEB'S 2014 SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDER OF THE YEAR AWARD

BOULDER, CO. (June 2, 2014) – The National Scholarship Providers Association (NSPA) and Fastweb announce that nominations are open for the 2014 Scholarship Provider of the Year Award (SPOY). Two outstanding scholarship providers are selected each year for this honor. Each recipient receives a \$2500 cash prize sponsored by Fastweb, the nation's recognized leader in helping students pay for school and a top site in the Monster Worldwide Network. NSPA and Fastweb have collaborated on this award for 15 years.

This prestigious award recognizes scholarship providers that demonstrate exceptional leadership, efficiency and impact in their support of higher education. The two eligible categories are College and University Providers (a post-secondary institution providing scholarships for study at the institution) and Independent Scholarship Providers (organizations run by a private or public foundation). Nominees must be current members of NSPA and in good standing to be considered for the award.

Last year's College and University recipient was the CU-Boulder Guardian Scholars Program, which is designed to assist former foster youth to earn their undergraduate degree. In the Independent Scholarship Category, the 2013 winner was the WGA's Evans Scholars Foundation, which champions education through golf and provides full housing and tuition scholarships to deserving caddies across the country.

Nomination forms can be found on the NSPA website at <u>www.scholarshipproivders.org</u>. **Deadline for entries is Monday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> 2014**. The winners will be announced at the NSPA 2014 Annual Conference in Pittsburgh. PA on Wednesday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Nominees do not need to be present to win.

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## About the NSPA:

The NSPA is a nonprofit membership association that unites private foundations, public charities, colleges and universities, corporate giving programs and government agencies that provide scholarships for higher education. Its mission is to advance the collective impact of scholarship providers and the scholarships they award. NSPA members awarded over \$851 million in scholarships to more than 180,000 students in the 2012-13 academic year. NSPA supports its 375 member organizations through professional development, best practices, research, issue education and policy advocacy. The #NSPA14 Conference will be held October 14-16 in Pittsburgh, PA and anticipates more than 350 scholarship professionals in attendance. For more information visit www.scholarshipproviders.org, and follow us on Twitter @NSPA Tweets.

## About Fastweb:

Fastweb, a top site in the Monster Worldwide (NYSE:MWW) network, is the nation's recognized leader in helping students pay for school, by providing scholarship and financial aid information, as well as information on jobs and internships. One out of three college-bound seniors use the site, and more than 50 million users have benefitted from Fastweb's information and services. Fastweb lets students create personalized profiles that can be matched against its expansive databases of colleges and scholarships. As the oldest and most popular free online scholarship matching service, the database has more than 1.5 million scholarships totaling over \$3.4 billion. To learn more about Fastweb, visit www.fastweb.com and follow on Twitter at @PayingForSchool.

## About Monster Worldwide:

Monster Worldwide, Inc. (NYSE:MWW), is the global leader in successfully connecting job opportunities and people. Monster uses the world's most advanced technology to help people *Find Better*, matching job seekers to opportunities via digital, social and mobile solutions including monster.com®, our flagship website, and employers to the best talent using a vast array of products and services. As an Internet pioneer, more than 200 million people have registered on the Monster Worldwide network. Today, with operations in more than 40 countries, Monster provides the broadest, most sophisticated job seeking, career management, recruitment and talent management capabilities globally. For more information visit about-monster.com.