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**Year Up Awarded One of the Best NonProfits to Work For 2011 by the  
NonProfit Times**  
*Year Up ranked fourth out of fifty organizations*

**BOSTON, MA/ April 4, 2011** – Year Up was recently selected as one of the *Best NonProfit Organizations to Work for 2011*. The awards program was created in 2010 and is a project of *The NonProfit Times* and Best Companies Group. Year Up ranked fourth out of fifty nonprofit organizations.

This nationwide survey and awards program was designed to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in the nonprofit industry, benefiting the industry's economy, its workforce and businesses.

Year Up is a national organization that provides professional career training to low-income young adults and helps them secure internships with top US companies. Its scalable model prepares students for the workforce by using a unique combination of technical and professional instruction, college credits, an education stipend and corporate internships. Successful completion of the intensive, one-year program enables graduates to move into employment and higher education. To date, 84 percent of graduates have been placed into positions within four months of graduation, earning an average salary of \$30,000 per year, or have enrolled in full-time higher education.

“Year Up is truly honored to receive this award. Our dedicated colleagues come to work everyday determined to close the Opportunity Divide in our nation” says Year Up CEO and Founder Gerald Chertavian. “We are so fortunate to have such a strong team of individuals who are committed to a vision of providing all young adults with the skills, experiences and support that they need to reach their potential. Our goal is to provide the most rewarding and supportive work environment so that they can fulfill this vision.”

Year Up was profiled and ranked in *The NonProfit Times* April 1, 2011 issue.

For more information on the ***Best NonProfit Organizations to Work for*** program, visit [www.BestNonProfitstoWorkfor.com](http://www.BestNonProfitstoWorkfor.com) or contact Jackie Miller at 877-455-2159.

**About Year Up Inc.**

Year Up's mission is to close the Opportunity Divide by providing low-income young adults with the skills, experience, and support that will empower them to reach their potential through professional careers and higher education. Year Up achieves this

mission through a high support, high expectation model that combines marketable job skills, stipends, internships and college credits. Its holistic approach focuses on students' professional and personal development to place these young adults on a viable path to economic self-sufficiency. Year Up currently serves more than 1,300 students a year in Atlanta, Baltimore (College-Based Pilot Program), Boston, Chicago, National Capital Region, New York City, Providence, San Francisco Bay Area, and Seattle. To learn more, visit [www.yearup.org](http://www.yearup.org) or [www.youtube.com/yearupinc](http://www.youtube.com/yearupinc).

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