



The Resource Foundation to Host 30th Anniversary Gala on November 1st

NEW YORK -- On November 1st, The Resource Foundation (TRF) will host its 30th Anniversary Gala, *Spark Opportunity*, to celebrate 30 years empowering disadvantaged communities in Latin America and the Caribbean with the skills, knowledge and opportunities they need to improve their lives.

Spark Opportunity will be held at the New York Athletic Club in Manhattan from 6:30-10:30 p.m. and will include cocktails, dinner, a special tango performance and dancing. Silent and live auctions will benefit The Resource Foundation's work throughout the Americas.

"We are thrilled to celebrate The Resource Foundation's success as we complete our 30th year," said TRF President and CEO Marcela Lopez-Macedonio. "Since 1987, we have stayed true to our mission while growing and expanding our reach. I am proud of how far we have come, and I look forward to our next 30 years supporting innovative, locally-led initiatives in the region."

This year's theme, *Spark Opportunity*, highlights how The Resource Foundation projects empower individuals, communities and organizations to create brighter futures. From job training and education, to affordable healthcare, women's empowerment, financial inclusion and more, TRF-supported projects provide the spark that can set change and progress in motion. TRF local partners implement a wide range of programs that spark opportunities for communities to shine bright.

The Resource Foundation will also present the Loren and Pilar Finnell Annual Catalyst Award to its local partner, Fundación Educacional Origen, for their unparalleled work to support education for young people in Chile. Fundación Origen Executive Director, Mary Anne Müller Prieto, will present the organization's work along with former student and current teacher, Mariana Donoso.

Tickets can be purchased at www.resourcefnd.org/gala2017 or by calling (212) 675-6170. For any questions, please contact Gala2017@resourcefnd.org.

More About The Resource Foundation

The Resource Foundation is a nonprofit organization that works closely with U.S. donors to support locally driven development programs throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Since 1987, TRF has helped donors optimize the impact of their philanthropy through specialized, tailored services. The Resource Foundation addresses some of the region's most pressing issues, including economic development, affordable housing and education, climate change, HIV/AIDS, disaster relief and Zika response efforts, and much more. TRF has received Charity Navigator's highest rating of four stars for sound fiscal management and transparency nine times since 2008. It is also a founding member of the Alliance for International Giving. For more information about TRF, visit www.resourcefnd.org and follow @resourcefnd on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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