



## The Resource Foundation Celebrates 30 Years

New York, NY / Sept. 14, 2017 – The Resource Foundation (TRF) is proud to celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> year of empowering disadvantaged communities in Latin America and the Caribbean with the skills, knowledge and opportunities they need to improve their lives.

Since 1987, TRF has provided over \$100 million to more than 2,000 nonprofit partners in at least 30 countries. Founded on the belief that local solutions are most effective at addressing the development challenges facing the region, TRF has enabled US donors to optimize the impact of their philanthropy in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Through collaborative partnerships among US donors, local nonprofit and for profit organizations and local communities, TRF has supported a diverse range of innovative projects addressing some of the region’s most pressing issues: from affordable housing and education, to climate change, HIV/AIDS, disaster relief and Zika response efforts.

“TRF’s 30th anniversary is an incredible milestone for the organization, and it is truly a testament to the success of The Resource Foundation’s integrated development model,” said TRF President and CEO Marcela Lopez-Macedonio. “We are very proud of the impact that TRF has had in building local capacity and empowering communities to create brighter futures. We look forward to building upon these accomplishments and to partnering with changemakers to implement diverse and innovative solutions over the next 30 years.”

On November 1, The Resource Foundation (TRF) will host its 30th Anniversary Gala, *Spark Opportunity*, to celebrate its history and continued success supporting sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean. This year’s theme, *Spark Opportunity*, highlights how TRF projects throughout the region empower individuals, communities and organizations to create brighter futures. A single project can provide the spark that can set this change in motion. TRF will be presenting its Loren and Pilar Finnell Annual Catalyst Award to local partner Fundación Origen from Chile and will also honor leading innovators from the nonprofit and corporate arenas.

For more information about *Spark Opportunity*, including sponsorship and advertising opportunities, please contact [Gala2017@resourcefnd.org](mailto:Gala2017@resourcefnd.org) or visit [www.resourcefnd.org/gala2017](http://www.resourcefnd.org/gala2017).

### More About The Resource Foundation

The Resource Foundation is a nonprofit organization based in New York City that works closely with U.S. donors to support locally driven development programs throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. 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](http://www.resourcefnd.org) and follow @resourcefnd on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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