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WOMEN'S FUND PRESENTS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD TO CRISTINA SARALEGUI
Annual Luncheon Will Honor Women Who Power Our Community To Change The World

MIAMI, Florida – The Women's Fund of Miami-Dade is pleased to announce Cristina Saralegui, role model for millions of Hispanic Women, as the Lifetime Achievement Award recipient at the 2014 Power of the Purse Luncheon scheduled for May 14, 2014 at the Hilton Miami Downtown.

"Over two decades in journalism has given me the opportunity to cover topics that were never discussed on Spanish-language television," says Saralegui, who has influenced millions of Hispanic women through her broadcasts. "My number one mission has been to motivate women and champion a healthy, gracious and self-empowered lifestyle. It's an honor to be recognized as a powerful role model by The Women's Fund, which works so hard to empower women in Miami."

Phillis Oeters, honorary chair for the Power of the Purse luncheon and Corporate Vice president of Government and Community Relations for Baptist Health South Florida, announced the award today. "We are delighted to honor Cristina for her essential role empowering women in our community and throughout the nation on issues like economic security, leadership, freedom from violence and access to healthcare." Women's Fund Board member Marty Davis of Legal Solutions Group chairs the event with Oeters.

The Power of the Purse Luncheon is The Women's Fund annual signature event. Attendance includes over 1,000 Miami-Dade community leaders, corporate executives, elected officials, celebrities and professional philanthropic-minded women and men, a powerful group committed to The Women's Fund's mission. Luncheon guests can look forward to a red carpet entrance, an over-the-top silent auction, a sophisticated menu and a program which will inspire and empower.

To attend the Power of the Purse Luncheon or for more information regarding corporate partnerships, please call the Women's Fund at 305.441.0506. Seating is limited. More information regarding the Women's Fund, please visit www.womensfundmiami.org.

About Cristina Saralegui

For more than two decades, Ms. Saralegui hosted and produced the highly-rated “Cristina” show on the Univision Network, breaking ground by covering topics that had not been discussed previously on Spanish-language television, like sex education for teens, AIDS awareness and education and human rights issues facing Hispanics worldwide. In the process, “The Cristina Show” became a platform, a voice for millions of Hispanics who may not have otherwise been heard, earning 12 Emmys and making Cristina a household name. In 2012 she launched “The Cristina Channel”, a 24/7 radio network for Sirius XM channel 153. Time Magazine named her one of the “25 Most Influential Hispanics in America.”

About The Women’s Fund of Miami Dade

Women’s Fund of Miami-Dade empowers women and girls through advocacy and funding for innovative initiatives that build equality, foster social change and create community partners. Founded in 1993, The Women’s Fund is Miami-Dade’s only organization directing all of its energy toward creating equal opportunity, access and influence for women and girls. Through research, collaboration, and grant-making we expose the issues, give voice to the silent majority, and pool our collective giving power to provide grassroots solutions. We believe that by pooling our resources we can create a just and safe Miami-Dade, where power and possibility aren’t limited by gender. Women’s Fund of Miami-Dade improves the lives of women and girls through grant making, research, advocacy and education.