AT&T Contributes $25,000 to Latino Community Foundation to Aid Communities Impacted by Glass Fire

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., October 7, 2020 – AT&T will present a $25,000 contribution to the Latino Community Foundation as part of its pledge to aid those impacted by the Glass Fire and its ongoing commitment to serving the people and communities of Northern California.

“In these times of great need, AT&T is proud to step up and support the Latino Community Foundation (LCF), which is dedicated to helping support our friends and families as they get back on their feet after the devastation of these wildfires,” said Rhonda Johnson, President-AT&T California.

This is on top of the $60,000 that AT&T has contributed last month to World Central Kitchen, Big Sur Fire Brigade, Community Foundation of Santa Cruz, Napa Valley Community Foundation, and the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund. Each of these organizations is supporting victims of the wildfires in their communities.

“The Latino Community Foundation established our California Wildfire Relief Fund to support the most vulnerable families impacted by the fires. Specifically, prioritizing working, low-income, Latino, and immigrant families. These same families are now also disproportionately impacted by the current public health crisis and its economic fallout. The compounding impact of these crises has been especially devastating to farmworkers and vineyard workers, whose livelihoods depend on income from the harvest season. We are deeply grateful to AT&T for standing with us at this critical moment and investing in these families.” Jacqueline Martinez Garcel, CEO of the Latino Community Foundation.

The Latino Community Foundation helps to fund Latino-led organizations supporting families displaced by the current wildfires in California. The LCF works to unleash the civic and economic power of Latinos in California. LCF fulfills this mission by building a movement of civically engaged philanthropists, investing in Latino-led organizations, and increasing the civic and political participation of Latinos. To date, LCF has established the largest network of Latino philanthropists in the country, invested over $10 million in 200 Latino-led organizations across California, leads the California Latino Policy Agenda and launched a multimedia campaign to mobilize the Latino vote and reach ‘hard to count’ communities for the 2020 Census.

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AT&T has a long history of supporting communities before, during and after disasters. The company has invested nearly $8.7 billion in its wireline and wireless networks in California from 2017-2019 and has invested more than $650 million in its Network Disaster Recovery program (NDR) in the U.S. and another $15 million invested internationally, making it one of the nation’s largest and most advanced programs.

During the wildfires in Northern California, AT&T supported customers, providing free talk, text, and data to wireless customers in impacted areas, and providing call and message forwarding for our home and business phone customers. AT&T has also activated a text-to-give campaign benefiting the American Red Cross.

More information on AT&T response and relief efforts during the recent California wildfires is available at: https://about.att.com/pages/disaster_relief/wildfire-relief.html.

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