Miami Non-Profit Leader Chosen for National Latino Fellowship Program

Miami, Florida (February 5, 2020) – The National Association for Latino Community Asset Builders (NALCAB) recently announced that Christine Coronado has been named a 2020 NALCAB Pete Garcia Community Economic Development fellow. Christine currently serves as Assistant Manager of Financial Capability at Branches, Inc.

The Pete Garcia Community Economic Development Fellowship is a nine-month leadership training program for Latino leaders from around the country. This year, 16 professionals were selected for this prestigious program that aims to cultivate future Latino leaders. More information about the program can be viewed at: https://nalcab.org/services/pete-garcia-fellowship

Established in 2010, the Fellowship was developed to ensure that next generation Latino leaders build the practical, personal and professional skills needed to fill the increasing leadership gap in the community economic development field. It provides mid-career Latino practitioners specialized professional development training that prepares them to become strong executive director candidates at non-profits that serve the Latino communities.

The NALCAB Pete Garcia Fellowship has graduated 137 program participants from across the country, representing 80 unique nonprofit organizations in 24 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

This year’s title program sponsor is the JPMorgan Chase Foundation with additional funding from the Wells Fargo Housing Foundation and the Northwest Area Foundation. Branches thanks NALCAB for providing this incredible capacity building opportunity. Branches’ Financial Wellness Programs aim to contribute to a more inclusive economy with increased opportunities for economic mobility, wealth creation and shared prosperity. To attain these multifaceted goals we invest in our staff capacity and leadership development, and support meaningful learning experiences that increase service quality and innovation. Branches is very proud of Christine and we are honored to be part of this fantastic fellowship program.

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**About Branches**

For over 45 years, Branches has made a positive impact in the community by delivering on its mission to serve, educate and inspire people through student, family and financial stability services. Branches provides long-term, holistic services for motivated individuals and families. We help people grow deeper and climb higher in life by building a foundation through education so they can achieve their goals and fulfill their potential. For more information about Branches, please contact Isabelle Pike at 305-442-8306 x1002 or ipike@branchesfl.org or visit Branches at www.branchesfl.org

**About NALCAB**

The National Association for Latino Community Asset Builders (NALCAB) is the hub of a national network of more than 120 mission-driven organizations in 40 states, DC and Puerto Rico that are anchor institutions in geographically and ethnically diverse Latino communities. Members of the NALCAB Network invest in their communities by building affordable housing, addressing gentrification, supporting small business growth, and providing financial counseling on issues such as credit building and home ownership. Our mission is to strengthen the economy by advancing economic mobility in Latino communities. NALCAB’s work advances economic mobility for low- and moderate-income people. For additional information, visit nalcab.org