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Opportunity Fund Welcomes Christopher Berini as Chief Development Officer

San Francisco, CA (January 7, 2019) — Opportunity Fund – California’s largest nonprofit small business lender and a national leader in the microfinance movement – is pleased to announce Christopher Berini has joined Opportunity Fund as its new Chief Development Officer.

Christopher is a strategic leader focused on building a stronger and healthier community by developing powerful partnerships. He brings strengths in fundraising, relationship management, communications to the Chief Development Officer role. Christopher joins Opportunity Fund’s leadership as the organization aims to scale its reach in California and across the U.S., working towards a strategic plan to invest \$500 million to drive economic mobility for 50,000 underserved entrepreneurs and working families by 2020.

“Building stronger communities and improving the health of those communities has always been my passion. So, I am thrilled to now join Opportunity Fund, driving support for economic equity and financial health. Together we can transform communities, empower determined entrepreneurs, and move ever closer to closing the opportunity gap for good,” said Christopher Berini, Opportunity Fund’s new Chief Development Officer.

Prior to joining the team, he held key roles in fundraising, including Director of Development at the San Francisco AIDS Foundation and Development Manager at Project Inform. Through his various roles in the nonprofit and for-profit sectors, he developed a deep understanding of diversity and inclusion which are key values of Opportunity Fund.

In addition to his professional roles, Christopher has served in board leadership for New Leaf: Services for our Community and Academy of Friends. He earned a bachelor’s degree with Honors in English at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

“Christopher’s experience in fundraising, board service, and sales leadership - coupled with his personable disposition and incredible discipline - have equipped him well to further scale our Development organization. In addition, the insights he brings from the for-profit world,

combined with the opportunity he's had to put those insights into practice at the San Francisco AIDS Foundation, will serve him well to take on this great opportunity," said CEO Luz Urrutia.

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About Opportunity Fund

Opportunity Fund, the nation's leading nonprofit small business lender, believes that small amounts of money and financial advice helps people make permanent and lasting change in their own lives, driving economic mobility and stronger communities. Opportunity Fund's community of donors and investors helps to fund small businesses and build vibrant neighborhoods. Our strategy combines microloans for small business owners and new markets tax credit investments in high-impact infrastructure projects that provide critical medical, housing, and education services that create jobs underserved communities. Since 1994, the team has deployed over \$700 million and helped thousands of families earn, save and invest in their own futures.

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