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The Kemper Foundation Donates \$125,000 to Support California Wildfire Relief for Latino Communities

CHICAGO, January 22, 2025 — The Kemper Foundation announced today a donation of \$125,000 to the Latino Community Foundation's (LCF) California Wildfire Relief Fund to support relief and recovery efforts for Latino communities affected by the devastating California wildfires. The donation reflects The Kemper Foundation's ongoing commitment to underserved communities, and the donation aims to address the disproportionate impact of disasters on Latino families and neighborhoods.

"The Kemper Foundation, along with Kemper Corporation, is deeply connected to the communities we serve, and we recognize the need for immediate and meaningful action to support those impacted by this unprecedented crisis," said Joseph P. Lacher, Jr., Chairman of The Kemper Foundation Board of Trustees and President and CEO of Kemper Corporation. "Latino families have long been among the most vulnerable during disasters. By supporting the Latino Community Foundation, we're ensuring that aid is both impactful and accessible, and that the recovery and rebuilding process strengthens the Latino communities and neighborhoods we care deeply about."

LCF will use the donation to fund grassroots organizations supporting Latino workers and families in Los Angeles County. Funds will provide immediate relief, including cash assistance, essential services, and language-inclusive emergency communications. In partnering with trusted grassroots organizations, LCF focuses on economic justice and equitable recovery, ensuring aid reaches homeowners, renters, day laborers, domestic workers, and small business owners.

This contribution also complements The Kemper Foundation's efforts to support Latino communities through initiatives like the Read Conmigo program, which provides resources to teachers and schools in underserved areas. Many of the schools supported by Read Conmigo Educator Grants are located in regions affected by the wildfires, making this donation a natural extension of the Foundation's commitment to education and community support.

For more information, visit <u>The Kemper Foundation</u>.

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About The Kemper Foundation

<u>The Kemper Foundation</u> is the philanthropic partner of Kemper Corporation and focuses on support for charitable causes and organizations in education, health, and community development. Through our owned programs, key partnerships, financial donations, and Kemper

employee volunteerism, we aim to make a meaningful difference in the communities where we live and work.

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