



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Dinner in Miami to benefit Un Techo para mi País was a success**

- 250 people attended the dinner to benefit the organization
- Important tennis players participated in the event “Break Point: Let’s win the match against poverty”, which raised funds to built 25 emergency houses.

**Miami, FL.** The event, which took place at the restaurant *Novecento*, last Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, gathered important tennis players, such as Juan Mónaco, Gabriela Sabatini, Nicolás Lapenti, Guillermo Cañas and Juan Ignacio Chela, among others, who, along with entrepreneurs and the Latin-American community in Miami supported the work of Un Techo para mi País.

Thanks to the effort of the participants, the organization was able to raise funds for an emergency house for 25 families living in extreme poverty in the continent.

“We are working together with families that have never asked for gifts, only opportunities. As young people that have had access to these opportunities we have the responsibility to work with them and give them the minimum: a roof,” said Rafael Achondo, 26, Director of Development UTPMP.

The dinner is part of some of the work that the organization has been carrying on in the United States, where UTPMP has a team focused on raising funds.

The event was possible thanks to the support of *Novecento*, DHL, LAN, Kepel&Mata, ASSIST-CARD, Goldman Sachs, Bodega del fin del Mundo and Newlink-Group, who actively participated in the dinner.

#### **Sobre Un Techo para mi País:**

Un Techo para mi País (UTPMP) is a non-profit organization run by university students and Young professionals that through the construction of transitional houses, Works with families in extreme poverty in 19 countries in Latin America, in a social inclusion process that will allow them to develop as a sustainable community.

UTPMP began its international expansion in 2001 and has been reinforced since 2005 by the support of the Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF) of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). Un Techo para mi País is currently working in 19 countries in Latin America: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela. UTPMP headquarters in Chile coordinates the efforts of local offices, each of which shares basic goals and methods, while adapting the project to the particular challenges of poverty in each country.

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