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CARE BEYOND BORDERS: CENTERING WOMEN AND GIRLS IN HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE EFFORTS

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE AND INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION PUT THE SPOTLIGHT ON GLOBAL WOMEN'S ISSUES

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine will welcome prominent members of the International Planned Parenthood Federation/Western Hemisphere Region (IPPF/WHR) for a panel conversation on global women's rights issues, discussing current situations in countries like Puerto Rico and Venezuela and the tireless work of IPPF/WHR's partners at *Care Beyond Borders: Centering Women and Girls in Humanitarian Response Efforts* on Wednesday, June 12 at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, 1047 Amsterdam Avenue (at 112th Street).

Conflict, climate change, and natural disasters have displaced an unprecedented number of people in recent years. Many of these people are women of reproductive age, one in five of whom is likely to be pregnant. In Latin America and the Caribbean, mass migration out of Venezuela and displacement of Puerto Ricans impacted by Hurricane Maria have left women and girls bearing the brunt of the disasters. Crisis settings put women and girls at higher risk of rape and sexual violence, unsafe abortions, and maternal mortality.

The International Planned Parenthood Federation/Western Hemisphere Region (IPPF/WHR) works with local partners throughout the Americas and Caribbean to provide healthcare and address the unique physical and psychological needs of women and girls on the move.

Panelists in attendance include **Giselle Carino**, CEO and Regional Director, International Planned Parenthood Federation/Western Hemisphere Region (IPPF/WHR); **Marta Royo**, Executive Director, Profamilia Colombia; **Esther Vicente**, Law Professor at the Inter American University of Puerto Rico Law School and IPPF/WHR board member; and **Dr. Luz Towns-Miranda**, board member, Planned Parenthood Action Fund.

The discussion will begin with an introduction by **The Right Rev. Clifton Daniel III**, Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. The conversation will be moderated by **Alexander Sanger**, Chair, IPP Council.

This event is presented in conjunction with <u>The Value of Sanctuary: Building a House Without Walls</u>, on view in the Cathedral through June 30.

DATE: Wednesday, June 12, 2019

TIME: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

WHERE: The Cathedral of St. John the Divine

1047 Amsterdam Avenue (at 112th Street), Manhattan

COST: Free

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