

PHILANTHROPY

Serious Fun, Serious Mission

► *Maricela Rios-Faust, CEO, Human Options; Kate Duchene, CEO, president, Resources Global Professionals; Kerri Sonenshine, president, board of directors, Human Options*

Human Options hosted its Serious Fun Gala on May 19 at Balboa Bay Resort in Newport Beach. The event brought together more than 325 influential community



leaders who helped raise over \$480,000 for Human Options to continue its work to break the cycle of domestic violence and provide critical programs and services to victims.

Guests enjoyed a Tahitian Nights-themed evening that kicked off with cocktails, an opportunity drawing and a silent auction. The evening also honored longtime supporter **Kate Duchene**, chief executive and president of **Resources Global Professionals**, with the 2018 DOVE Award for her dedication to breaking the cycle of domestic violence.

During her time as board president, she led Human Options to expand its community education program, which now reaches more than 20,000 people each year.

Event sponsors included **Capital Group**, **KPMG** and RGP.