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Next year (2016) marks the 30th anniversary of the Neighborhood Development Foundation in New Orleans. To celebrate thirty years of outreach with the community, NDF seeks to highlight many of the homeowners in the community affected by NDF over the years and their homebuyer education courses. The research represented in the 30 year report will be focused in (1) what NDF has accomplished over the past three decades, and, (2) most significantly, who they have affected. The research will be focused on the 4,000 NDF homebuyers who have graduated from the program and purchased a home. This research will analyze home prices, economic elements of the area and time period, and basic demographics of the homebuyers.

The research model will include a mixed methods approach. I plan to research, interview, and compile thirty different stories of individuals affected by NDF and homeownership, and present these as case studies. The map, represented on the poster, will provide a visual representation of the NDF homeowners and measure the economic impact the organization has had the past three decades. This map will represent different symbology indicating key dimensional factors, such as the different decades the homes were purchased in, the home prices, and other socioeconomic demographics.

This research is important because it showcases the correlation between a homebuyer education organization and the economic health of an area.