

Trinity Capital Inc. Reports Third Quarter 2020 Financial Results

November 12, 2020

PHOENIX, Nov. 12, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Trinity Capital Inc. ("Trinity Capital" or the "Company"), a leading specialty lending company that provides debt, including loans and equipment financing, to growth stage companies backed by technology banks, venture capital and private equity firms, today announced its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2020.

Third Quarter 2020 Highlights

- · Total investment income of \$13.5 million
- · Net investment income of \$5.5 million, or \$0.31 per share
- Aggregate investment commitments of \$55.9 million
- Total gross fundings of \$35.9 million, comprised of \$17.7 million across 4 new portfolio companies and \$18.2 million across 8 existing portfolio companies
- · Investment portfolio of \$425.5 million at fair value
- · Net asset value ("NAV") per share increased to \$13.01 from \$12.61, up 3.2% from Q2 2020
- · Dividend distribution of \$0.27 per share declared for the third quarter, consistent with the prior quarter and providing 115% coverage by NII
- Year-to-date ending September 30, 2020 Highlights
- · Total investment income of \$39.6 million
- · Net investment income of \$18.0 million or \$1.00 per share
- · Aggregate investment commitments of \$157.7 million
- · Total gross fundings of \$137.5 million

Steven Brown, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Trinity Capital, commented, "During the third quarter we originated \$55.9 million in commitments, net investment income was \$0.31 per share comfortably covering our distribution, and NAV per share increased to \$13.01. Improved market conditions enhanced our unrealized gains, which were accretive to earnings."

"The venture capital industry has demonstrated resilience amidst the current environment and fundraising has largely continued through the first nine months of the year, presenting what we believe are attractive opportunities to well-capitalized companies with diversified portfolios, disciplined sourcing criteria and niche venture lending expertise. While the current environment remains uncertain in light of the coronavirus ("COVID 19") pandemic, we believe that our strong capital position, specialized approach for evaluating growth stage companies, expansive direct origination networks, rigorous credit and underwriting standards and scalable technology infrastructure positions us to continue growing our presence in the venture lending space."

Brown added, "We continue to monitor and work closely with our portfolio companies as they assess the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on their business operations and believe we are well positioned with our liquidity to support our portfolio management teams as they navigate these uncertain economic times."

Background

Trinity Capital Inc. is an internally managed, closed-end, non-diversified management investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Act of 1940 and intends to elect to be treated as a regulated investment company for U.S. federal income tax purposes. On January 16, 2020, following the completion of an equity and a debt capital offering, Trinity Capital completed several acquisitions to consolidate select affiliate funds into its current structure. More information on these topics can be found within the Company's Securities and Exchange filings.

Results of Operations

For the three months ended September 30, 2020, total investment income was \$13.5 million, which represents an effective yield of approximately 14.1% on the investments during the period. This compares to total expenses of \$8.0 million, resulting in net investment income of approximately \$5.5 million, or \$0.31 per share.

During the third quarter, the Company realized net losses on investments during the quarter of approximately \$1.5 million, comprised of approximately \$1.2 million from warrants that expired or were terminated during the quarter and approximately \$300,000 of net losses on loans.

Trinity recorded net unrealized appreciation of \$8.3 million during the third quarter, primarily related to the mark-to-market recovery of our debt, warrant and equity investments.

The Company generated a net increase in net assets from operations of \$12.3 million or \$0.68 per share, a net increase of \$0.30 per share over the prior quarter.

Net Asset Value

As of September 30, 2020, NAV per share increased by \$0.40 per share or 3.2% to \$13.01, compared to \$12.61 for the prior period. The increase in NAV per share was primarily driven by the aforementioned results from operations and net change in unrealized appreciation from investments offset by the \$0.27 per share dividend paid during the quarter. Total net assets at the end of the third quarter were \$237.3 million, an increase of \$8.7 million or 3.8% as compared to \$228.6 million at the end of the prior quarter.

Portfolio and Investment Activity

As of September 30, 2020, Trinity Capital's investment portfolio had an aggregate fair value of approximately \$425.5 million and was comprised of approximately \$273.6 million in secured loans, \$107.8 million in equipment financings, \$31.2 million in equity investments, and \$12.9 million in warrants, across 81 portfolio companies.

During the third quarter, the Company originated \$55.9 million of total new commitments. Third quarter fundings, totaled approximately \$35.9 million, comprised of approximately \$17.7 million of investments in 4 new portfolio companies and approximately \$18.2 million of investments in 8 existing portfolio companies, with an additional \$20.0 million funded on October 1, 2020 related to an unfunded commitment as of September 30, 2020. Proceeds received from repayments of the Company's investments totaled approximately \$38.3 million which included \$20.5 million from early repayments. On a cost basis, the portfolio declined slightly by \$1.6 million while increasing by \$6.6 million on

a fair value basis.

As of the end of the third quarter, loans to four portfolio companies were on non-accrual status with a total fair value of approximately \$4.1 million, or 1.0% of our investment portfolio at fair value. One loan was placed on non-accrual during the quarter.

The following table shows the distribution of our loan and equipment financing investments on the 1 to 5 investment risk rating scale at fair value as of September 30, 2020 (dollars in thousands):

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Designation		Investment Risk Rating Scale Range	Company Count		Investments at Fair Value				Percentage of Total Portfolio
Very Strong Performance		4.0 - 5.0	5	\$	59,767		15.8%		
Strong Performance		3.0 - 3.9	28		187,844		49.3%		
Performing		2.0 - 2.9	22		130,263		34.2%		
Watch		1.6 - 1.9	-		_		0.0%		
Default/Workout		1.0 - 1.5	3		3,502		0.7%		
		Total	58	\$	381,376		100.0%		

At September 30, 2020, our loan and equipment financing investments had a weighted average risk rating score of 3.2, consistent with the prior quarter.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At September 30, 2020, the Company had approximately \$93.1 million in available liquidity, including \$36.3 million in cash and cash equivalents. At the end of the period, the Company had \$56.8 million in available borrowing capacity under its credit facility, subject to existing terms and advance rates and regulatory and covenant requirements. As of that same date, the Company had approximately \$16.3 million of restricted cash, of which \$15.6 million relates to the Company's credit agreement covenants, and approximately \$0.7 million is held in escrow.

Distributions

Trinity Capital's distribution reinvestment plan provides for the reinvestment of distributions in the form of common stock on behalf of its stockholders unless a stockholder has elected to receive distributions in cash.

On November 9, 2020, the Company's Board of Directors declared a distribution of \$0.27 per share with respect to the quarter ended September 30, 2020, payable on December 4, 2020 to shareholders of record as of November 20, 2020, consistent with the prior quarter.

Conference Call

Trinity Capital will hold a conference call to discuss its third quarter 2020 financial results at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time (5:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on Thursday, November 12, 2020. To listen to the call, please dial (888) 285 0969, or (706) 758 9224 internationally, and reference Conference ID: 6352899 if asked, approximately 10 minutes prior to the start of the call.

A taped replay will be made available approximately three hours after the conclusion of the call and will remain available for seven days. To access the replay, please dial 855 859 2056 or (404) 537 3406 and enter the passcode 6352899.

A live webcast of the third quarter 2020 financial results conference call will also be available on the investor relations section of the Company's website at https://trincapinvestment.com/. A replay will be available on the Company's website for 90 days following the conference call.

About Trinity Capital Inc.

Trinity, an internally managed specialty lending company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, is a leading provider of debt, including loans and equipment financing, to growth stage companies, including venture-backed companies and companies with institutional equity investors. Trinity's investment objective is to generate current income and, to a lesser extent, capital appreciation through investments consisting primarily of term loans and equipment financings and, to a lesser extent, working capital loans, equity and equity-related investments. Trinity believes it is one of only a select group of specialty lenders that has the depth of knowledge, experience, and track record in lending to growth stage companies. For more information, please visit https://trincapinvestment.com/.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements other than statements of historical facts included in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements and are not guarantees of future performance or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on the economy, financial markets, our business, our portfolio companies and our industry. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including these described from time to time in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The Company undertakes no duty to update any forward-looking statement made herein. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release. More information on risks and other potential factors that could affect the Company's financial results, included in the Company's filings with the SEC, including in the "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" sections of the Company's most recently filed quarterly report on Form 10 Q and subsequent SEC filings.

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TRINITY CAPITAL INC. Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities (In thousands, except share and per share data)

		ember 30, 2020	December 31, 2019		
	(un	audited)			
ASSETS					
Investments, at fair value:					
Control investments (cost of \$57,147 and \$0, respectively)	\$	49,797	\$	-	
Affiliate investments (cost of \$25,760 and \$0, respectively)		26,231		-	
Non-control / Non-affiliate investments (cost of \$356,415 and \$0, respectively)		349,456		-	
Total investments (cost of \$439,322 and \$0, respectively)		425,484		-	
Cash and cash equivalents		36,323		-	
Restricted cash		16,331		-	
Interest receivable		3,158		-	
Deferred financing costs		-		3,525	
Deferred offering costs		-		2,677	
Prepaid expenses		511		-	
Other assets		621		-	
Total assets	\$	482,428	\$	6,202	

LIABILITIES

Total liabilities	245,103	6,726
Other liabilities	7,463	-
Due to related party	-	1,058
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	5,051	5,668
Notes payable, net of \$4,822, and \$0, respectively, of unamortized deferred financing cost	120,178	-
Credit facility, net of \$2,589 and \$0, respectively, of unamortized deferred financing cost	\$ 112,411	\$ -

Commitments and contingencies

NET ASSETS

Common stock, \$0.001 par value per share (200,000,000 authorized, 18,236,043 and 10 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2020 and December 31, 2019, respectively)	18	-
Paid-in capital in excess of par	262,534	-

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Distributable earnings (accumulated loss)	(25,227)	(524)
Total net assets	237,325	(524)
Total liabilities and total net assets	\$ 482,428	\$ 6,202
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE	\$ 13.01	\$ (52,418.20)

TRINITY CAPITAL INC. Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2020	For th Months Ended 2(
INVESTMENT INCOME:		
Interest Income:		
Control Investments	\$ 1,045	\$
Affiliate Investments	144	
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate investments	11,372	
Total investment income	12,561	
Fee Income:		
One-time fee income		
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate investments	968	
Total fee income	968	
Total investment income	13,529	
EXPENSES:		
Interest expense and other debt financing costs	3,956	
Compensation and benefits	2,782	
General and administrative	1,237	
Total expenses	7,984	
NET INVESTMENT INCOME	5,545	
NET REALIZED GAIN/(LOSS) FROM INVESTMENTS:		
Control Investments	-	
Affiliate Investments	-	
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate Investments	(1,490)	
Net realized loss from investments	(1,490)	

NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED APPRECIATION / (DEPRECIATION) FROM INVESTMENTS:

Control investments	818	
Affiliate investments	2,605	
Non-Control / Non-Affiliate investments	4,856	
Net change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) from investments	8,279	
Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations BEFORE FORMATION COSTS	12,334	
Costs related to the acquisition of Trinity Capital Holdings and Legacy Funds	-	
NET DECREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 12,334	\$
NET INVESTMENT INCOME PER SHARE – BASIC AND DILUTED	\$ 0.31	\$
NET DECREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS PER SHARE – BASIC AND DILUTED	\$ 0.68	\$

Weighted average shares outstanding – BASIC AND DILUTED

18,166,491