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### **LIBERTY BANK GIVING CIRCLE TO BENEFIT HOMELESS**

MIDDLETOWN, CT — During the months of April and May, applying for a mortgage at Liberty Bank offers more than a great rate and superior service for applicants: it also helps homeless people throughout the area served by the bank.

Liberty's Giving Circle program sets aside \$100 for every mortgage application received by the bank during April and May, and then divides the accumulated funds among local agencies that provide emergency or transitional housing for homeless families and individuals. As of 2018, the total donated through the 24-year-old program rose to almost \$595,000.

"As new homebuyers celebrate a milestone in their lives and current homeowners refinance, they're also holding out a helping hand to someone with no home at all. A very satisfying 'pay it forward' moment," said Shirley Cote, Senior Vice President of Liberty Bank's Retail Lending group.

Giving Circle funds for 2019 will be granted to the following nonprofit organizations, including seven new organizations in Hartford and one in East Hartford:

#### **Hartford County:**

Bristol Homeless Shelter, operated by St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Bristol, Inc.  
East Hartford Community Shelter  
Friendship Service Center, New Britain  
ImmaCARE, Hartford  
Interval House, Hartford  
Open Hearth, Hartford  
Prudence Crandall Center, New Britain  
Salvation Army Marshall House, Hartford  
Salvation Army Shelter, New Britain  
Soromundi Commons, Hartford  
South Park Inn, Hartford  
Stewart B. McKinney Emergency Shelter, Hartford

#### **Middlesex County:**

The Eddy Center, operated by The Connection, Inc., Middletown  
Middlesex Family Shelter, operated by Columbus House, Middletown  
New Horizons Domestic Violence Shelter, operated by Community Health Center, Middletown

#### **New Haven County:**

Christian Community Action, New Haven  
Columbus House, New Haven  
Emergency Shelter Management Services, New Haven  
Liberty Community Services, New Haven

New Reach, Inc., New Haven  
Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury  
Salvation Army Emergency Shelter for Families, Waterbury  
Shelter Now, operated by New Opportunities, Inc., Meriden  
St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Waterbury  
Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services, Ansonia  
Wallingford Emergency Shelter, Wallingford

**Greater New London:**

Always Home (previously Mystic Area Shelter & Hospitality)  
Covenant Shelter of New London  
New London Homeless Hospitality Center  
Safe Futures, New London

**Norwich:**

Bethsaida Community  
Martin House  
Thames River Family Program, operated by Thames River Community Service

**Willimantic:**

Holy Family Home & Shelter  
Windham No-Freezer Hospitality Center

In addition, Connecticut homebuyers with purchase applications that go under contract on or before May 31, 2018 will be eligible to receive a \$200 closing cost credit toward their Liberty Bank mortgage\*. Credit applies to first mortgages only; Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) loans are not eligible. One closing credit per application. Please contact a Loan Originator for Liberty Bank's mortgage specials for those looking to purchase homes this spring: [www.liberty-bank.com/personal/home-lending](http://www.liberty-bank.com/personal/home-lending).

Established in 1825, Liberty Bank is Connecticut's oldest bank, with more than \$4.7 billion in assets and 55 banking offices throughout the central, eastern, and shoreline areas of the state. As a full-service financial institution, Liberty offers consumer and commercial banking, home mortgages, insurance, and investment services. Named as a "Top Workplace" by the Hartford Courant for six consecutive years, Liberty maintains a longstanding commitment to superior personal service and unparalleled community involvement. For more information: [www.liberty-bank.com](http://www.liberty-bank.com).

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