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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 home buyers: 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 donates the accumulated funds to 25 local agencies that provide emergency or transitional housing for homeless families and individuals. Last year's distribution of \$40,300 brought the total donated under 21-year-old program to over \$436,000.

"There's something very satisfying about the idea that someone who is about to buy a home of their own—a big event in anyone's life—is at the same time helping to shelter someone else who has no home at all," said Thomas J. Hylinski, executive vice president of Liberty Bank's Retail Lending group.

Giving Circle funds for 2015 will be granted to the following nonprofit organizations:

Hartford County:

Bristol Homeless Shelter, operated by St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Bristol, Inc.
Friendship Service Center, New Britain
Prudence Crandall Center, New Britain
Salvation Army Shelter, New Britain

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
Shepherd Home, operated by Mercy Housing & Shelter, 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 Haven Home Recovery, New Haven
Shelter Now, operated by New Opportunities, Inc., Meriden
Wallingford Emergency Shelter, Wallingford

Greater New London:

Covenant Shelter of New London
Mystic Area Shelter & Hospitality, Mystic
New London Homeless Hospitality Center, New London
Safe Futures, New London

Norwich:

Bethsaida Community
Kirkbride/Lang Shelter, operated by TVCCA
Martin House
Thames River Family Program, operated by Thames River Community Service

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Holy Family Home & Shelter
Windham No-Freezer Hospitality Center

Established in 1825, Liberty Bank is Connecticut's oldest mutual bank, with more than \$3.8 billion in assets and 48 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. Rated outstanding by federal regulators on its community reinvestment efforts, Liberty maintains a longstanding commitment to superior personal service and unparalleled community involvement.

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