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German American Bank Donates \$35,000 to Non-Profit Organizations in Shelby, Spencer, Owen, and Gallatin Counties

Shelbyville, KY— April 28, 2022—German American Bank has donated \$35,000 to seven local non-profit organizations to celebrate the expansion of their footprint into Shelby, Spencer, Owen, and Gallatin Counties. German American leaders presented checks for \$5,000 to representatives of Metro United Way's Farmers Feeding Families, Awake Ministries' Serenity Center, Centro Latino, Operation Care Kentucky, Owen County Schools' Power Pack Program, Taylorsville Main Street Association, and the Gallatin Educational Excellence Foundation.

“A commitment to local support is at the heart of who we are,” states Chris Dew, German American Bank Market President. “As the largest community bank in the Shelbyville area, we have the privilege and honor to make a significant impact in the communities we serve. We are excited to demonstrate our commitment by giving back to local organizations that share in our mission to help individuals, families, and businesses achieve greater prosperity in life.”

Recipients include:



Metro United Way - Farmers Feeding Families Program

Currently, 15% of Shelby County citizens are food insecure or don't have enough food to sustain a healthy life. Through the Farmers Feeding Families program, Metro United Way in Shelby County is focusing on reducing hunger and its associated health issues in our community by partnering with farmers, landowners and non-profit organizations. All of the money and food donations are distributed to Shelby County feeding programs.

Awake Ministries - Serenity Center

Awake Ministries offers residential and outpatient recovery services for those with addiction behaviors. In addition, they manage a food bank for local residents in need of assistance through the support of Dare to Care and the generosity of farms, grocers, businesses and individuals. Every resource that they offer is free of charge to encourage and assist members of the community.



Centro Latino

Centro Latino works to connect Latino communities in Shelby, Spencer, Oldham, Trimble and Henry counties with the information and services they need for a better life. They promote civic engagement by educating, motivating and providing access to trustworthy support systems. The mission at Centro Latino is to advance their prospects to achieve a part of the American Dream.

Operation Care

Operation Care provides a transitional housing program, free medical and dental clinic, and thrift store for those in need. The housing program is for women and children and includes case management and financial planning. Mercy Medical is a Christ-centered, state-licensed medical/dental clinic providing compassionate medical and dental care to uninsured, underinsured, and financially disadvantaged people. The Helps Program distributes items to those in crisis including non-perishable food and home care needs.





Owen County Power Pack Program

The Power Pack Program is a weekly, take-home food program for children in Owen County Schools offered through the Owen County Family Resource Center. Their mission is to meet the needs of children by providing them with nutritious and easy to prepare food to take home on the weekends and school vacations when other resources are not available.

Taylorsville Main Street Association

Taylorsville Main Street, a certified Kentucky Main Street program, is a non-profit organization of volunteers who strive to bring people and businesses to downtown Taylorsville to live, work and play. Their goals are to provide organization, promotion, beautification, and economic restructuring for the city of Taylorsville.



Gallatin County Educational Excellence Foundation

The Educational Excellence Foundation helps to fund the Family Resource and Youth Service Centers. These centers collaborate with community partners to offer appropriate services to enhance student success and meet their family needs. The Family Resource Center serves students and families in the Lower and Upper Elementary while The Youth Service Center serves students and families in the Middle and High schools.

About German American Bank

German American Bank serves Kentucky and Southern Indiana with banking, insurance, investments and wealth management services for business and retail customers. In 1910, German American was founded

in a community rich in German-American heritage located in the Ohio Valley region. The company's headquarters remain in Jasper, Indiana. The German American team is dedicated to helping individuals, families and businesses achieve greater prosperity and quality of life by building lasting client relationships based on integrity, responsive service, innovation, and shared values. The company believes in supporting the communities it serves to help communities thrive, so its people can prosper.

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Featured in Photos

Operation Care

Senior Market Retail Officer, Nicole Durbin, Market President Chris Dew, Operation Care Executive Director Jennifer Decker, and Market Executive Kris Hayden

Serenity Center (Awake Ministries)

Market President Chris Dew, Director of Affordable Housing, Tammy Thomas, Awake Ministries Executive Director Stephanie Dillon, and Market Executive Kris Hayden

Farmers Feeding Families

VP, Commercial Banking Wanda Hawkins, Director of Regional Development for Metro United Way Stephen Whitehead, Market President Chris Dew, and Market Executive Kris Hayden

Educational Excellence Foundation of Gallatin County

VP, Commercial Banking, Lora Beth Sadler, Financial Center Manager Justin Alexander, Market President Chris Dew, Gallatin County Family Resource Center Coordinator Conte Flowers, Family Advocate Kerry Tackett, German American Regional Vice Chairman Darryl Traylor

Owen County Power Pack Program

VP, Commercial Banking, Angie Miller, Financial Center Supervisor Kayla Caldwell, Youth Service Director for Owen County Schools Becky Mefford, Financial Center Manager Rita Powers, German American Regional Vice Chairman, Darryl Traylor, and Market President Chris Dew

Centro Latino

VP, Commercial Banking, Wanda Hawkins, Market President, Chris Dew, Centro Latino Board Member, Rose Mary Riggs, Centro Latino Executive Director Sister Pat Reno

Taylorsville Main Street

Market President Chris Dew, Taylorsville Main Street Executive Director Beverly Ingram, Financial Center Manager Gail Waldridge