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M&T Bank Donates \$5,000 to Family Service Association of Bucks County



M&T Bank has donated \$5,000 to Family Service Association of Bucks County, a non-profit organization that serves more than 24,000 people in need each year.

Family Service offers a variety of programs that help people gain the skills needed to reach their full potential. Services include emergency help, parent education, mental health services, job support and more.

“When our communities succeed, we all succeed,” said Ira Brown, President of M&T Bank’s Philadelphia Region. “At M&T Bank, we have a long history of showing our support to the local communities we serve. We work in partnership with local non-profit organizations, including Family Service, that focus on improving the quality of life for our customers, employees and neighbors.”

M&T Bank’s donation will support Family Service programs including the Bucks County Emergency Homeless Shelter, a temporary residence for individuals and families who have lost safe and stable housing. The 24-hour shelter serves approximately 70 people at any given time with on-site services such

as case management, counseling, budgeting and financial planning, job search resources and health evaluations.

Typically, about one-third of the shelter's residents are children. M&T Bank's donation to Family Service will help build a playground at the Bucks County Emergency Homeless Shelter and expand parking facilities for families and service providers.

"Our mission is to listen, care and help. Every day. We do whatever it takes to help children and families overcome obstacles and reach their full potential," said Joanne Bogrett, Family Service's Chief Advancement Officer. "M&T Bank's support will help us expand the high-quality services and programs that the Bucks County community needs the most."

Founded as Manufacturers and Traders Bank, M&T Bank is now one of the top 20 banks in the nation, but it operate as a community bank committed to strengthening the areas it serves. For more than 160 years, M&T has helped people and businesses manage their money and make sound financial decisions, so they can live better today and realize their goals for tomorrow.

Photo: (Left to Right) Joanne Bogrett, Chief Advancement Officer, Family Service; Tim Wade, Vice President/Senior Investment Advisor, M&T Bank; Ernie Nocito, Director of Development, Family Service; Ben Ciliberto, First Vice President, Family Service Board of Directors; Murielle Kelly, Director of Housing Services, Family Service; Beryl Barmore, Regional Community Reinvestment Act Officer, M&T Bank; Deborah Van Aken, Second Vice President, Family Service Board of Directors; and Cassandra Bell, Charitable Coordinator, M&T Bank.

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Family Service Association of Bucks County is a nonprofit social service organization with locations throughout Bucks County, Pennsylvania. For more than 60 years, Family Service has been improving the lives of children and their families, doing whatever it takes to help them overcome obstacles and reach their full potential. Visit www.fsabc.org to donate, volunteer and learn more about how Family Service helped more than 24,000 children, teens and adults last year.