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PRESS RELEASE: THE STATE BANK CHANGE FOR KIDS PROGRAM HAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR

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THE STATE BANK CHANGE FOR KIDS PROGRAM HAS RECORD YEAR

FENTON, MICHIGAN – December 3, 2018. The State Bank is honored to announce another successful year for its Change for Kids program. The program supports the needs of low to moderate income children and families in twelve local school districts, including Linden, Fenton, Holly, Grand Blanc, Lake Fenton, Brighton, New Lothrop, Chesaning, Montrose, St. Charles, Birch Run and Swan Valley.

Each year, funds are collected through a variety of fundraising events organized by Bank staff.

Successful fundraisers for the 2018 campaign included, gift card raffles, candy bar sales, candle sales, and internal promotions including jean days and monthly parking raffles. Customers of The State Bank are also very generous and supportive of this local cause, often times making a monetary donation when visiting a branch. Additionally, the Bank itself also makes a large donation to this program.

For the 2018-2019 school year, The State Bank was honored to present the above districts with \$2,750 each. Since the program's inception in 2011, The State Bank has now given over \$143,000. The schools are free to use these funds as they see fit for children in need and are always very appreciative.

In the Linden Community Schools district, the Change for Kids program has been a huge avenue to help kids in our community. As Superintendent Russ Ciesielski states, "our partnership with The State Bank

has been established for many, many years now. They are more than just a bank – they have come to our rescue to help with the families that have a need, and on numerous occasions the ability to use the funds for Change for Kids has been our first option in doing so.”

Dr. Linden Moore, Superintendent for Montrose Area Schools, added “We are so thankful for the Change for Kids program here in Montrose. The funds will help support many students. We really appreciate the bank's efforts and support of our students in need.”

Dr. Clarence Garner, Superintendent for Grand Blanc Community Schools, shared ways in which these funds have helped the district. “Many of our families can fall on some hard times, and often in a very sudden way. Extra funds like those received by The State Bank has allowed us to provide those families with a little something extra to get through those times. For example, we had a family that we learned did not have a working stove and were cooking on a camping size stove. We were able to provide them with a working stove to make complete meals, and to see their faces when receiving that was heartwarming.”

Change for Kids began in response to a need to assist low- and moderate-income families. “We especially want to provide the funding to meet the physical and educational needs of those children,” explains The State Bank Senior Vice President, Stacey Webb. “We want to meet the basic physical needs ranging from toothpaste and deodorant to clothing, shoes, bedding, medical needs, etc. We also want to provide the educational supplies needed to be a successful student, such as pencils, paper, markers, binders, backpacks and other necessities. These materials provide the foundation so that students can concentrate on their educational goals.”

(Photos below)



L to R: Russ Ciesielski, Superintendent of Linden Community Schools and Jeanine Sapelak, The State Bank



L to R: Diana Duncan, The State Bank, Dr. Linden Moore, Montrose Area Schools and Lisa Wood, The State Bank



L to R: Clarence Garner, Grand Blanc Community Schools, Dawn Loehne, The State Bank, Todd Rathbun and Christy Knight, Grand Blanc Community Schools

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