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PEOPLE'S UNITED COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS \$5,000 TO MARGUERITE'S PLACE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

MANCHESTER, NH – The People's United Community Foundation, the philanthropic arm of People's United Bank, announced today that it has awarded \$5,000 to Marguerite's Place of Nashua, New Hampshire.

Marguerite's Place provides affordable, transitional housing and supportive services for homeless women and their children. The funding – the third such grant from People's United Community Foundation - will support its core services and operations and will assist families in achieving permanent and sustainable housing.

“With the generous support of People's Community Foundation, Marguerite's Place will continue its efforts to break the cycle of homelessness,” said Barbara Alves, President and CEO. “This funding will bolster our housing, one-to-one case management, and education efforts, as well as our security staffing services.”

“Transitioning the homeless to stable housing and providing them opportunities for long-term security is not easy, but Marguerite's Place has achieved a high rate of success,” said Dianne Mercier, Officer of People's United Community Foundation and New Hampshire President for People's United Bank. “Our continued support for programs like this is important to the foundation as we look for ways to help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency.”

Established in 2007, People's United Community Foundation was formed to help support programs and activities that enhance the quality of life for citizens in the communities that People's United Bank serves. People's United Bank, founded in 1842 and serving customers from New York to Maine through a network of more than 400 branches, is the largest independent bank headquartered in New England. The Foundation places special emphasis on programs designed to promote economic self-sufficiency, education and improved conditions for low-income families and neighborhoods. The funding priorities of the Foundation include affordable housing, community development, and youth development.

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