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### **New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp Receives Granite Award from Granite United Way**

New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (NHMB) was recently awarded with the Granite Award from Granite United Way. The total donation for NHMB was \$100,500, which included employee donations and matching funds from NHMB and its three subsidiaries: Meredith Village Savings Bank, Merrimack County Savings Bank and MillRiver Wealth Management.

As part of NHMB's commitment to non-profit agencies in the communities it serves, matched contributions were distributed through the Granite United Way evenly among 20 non-profit agencies selected by employee vote. The following non-profits each received a donation of \$2,510:

- Boys and Girls Clubs of Central NH
- CATCH Neighborhood Housing
- Central NH VNA & Hospice
- Circle Program
- Concord Family YMCA
- Concord Regional VNA
- David's House
- Genesis Behavioral Health
- Granite United Way
- Habitat for Humanity
- Laconia Area Community Land Trust
- Lakes Region Child Care Services
- New Beginnings
- NH Food Bank
- NH Humane Society
- Pope Memorial SPCA
- Red Cross
- Riverbend Community Mental Health
- Salvation Army
- Second Start

"It's an honor to receive this award on behalf of all our employees at New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp," said Sam Laverack, President and CEO for NHMB. "We encourage and support our employees' donations and volunteerism to the local community organizations that they are most passionate about. The contribution match relies entirely on their generosity, so it was important that our employees selected the agencies receiving this extra support."

More than 123 employees gave an average of \$400 each, for a total of \$50,205. The success of the organization's annual United Way giving campaign would not have been possible without the enthusiasm and leadership of employee coordinators: Patricia Colby, Brittany Saucier and Michelle Wilkerson.

"We're very fortunate to have New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp and its employees among our partners in improving lives throughout New Hampshire and beyond," said Patrick Tufts, President and CEO of Granite United Way. "The combination of employee generosity and their matching corporate gift is a wonderful demonstration of commitment and dedication to our community. It truly is a tribute to the spirit of giving felt throughout this state."

Granite United Way is an experienced and trusted organization dedicated to leveraging the resources of investors and volunteers to create lasting change by addressing the underlying causes of our community's most pressing needs. Granite United Way is committed to improving the lives of individuals and families by supporting programs in the areas of education, income and health. Granite United Way works with over 1,000 companies, 25,000 investors and thousands of volunteers every year to make our communities better places to live, work and raise families.

Granite United Way serves the Southern (Manchester/Derry/Salem), Merrimack County, North Country, Central NH, Northern and Upper Valley Regions of NH and VT as well as Windsor County, VT. For more information, visit [www.graniteuw.org](http://www.graniteuw.org).

New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp, a mutual holding company, was formed in 2013 when two New Hampshire-based community banks, Meredith Village Savings Bank and Merrimack County Savings Bank, formally affiliated – the first relationship of its kind in New Hampshire. This strategic partnership has positioned the Banks to leverage each other's strengths as they work together to advance a shared vision of maintaining and enhancing their community banking standards and values. MillRiver Wealth Management joined as a third subsidiary of NHMB in 2015, combining the financial advisory divisions of MVSMB and The Merrimack. NHMB combined assets total nearly \$1.5 billion.



Photo Caption:

*Sam Laverack, President and CEO, New Hampshire Mutual Bancorp (center) receives Granite Award from Ken Sawyer, Granite United Way Cabinet Chair (left) and Kimberly Welch, Granite United Way Central Region Area Director (far right).*