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PEOPLE'S UNITED COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS \$2,500 TO COMMUNITY CAREGIVERS OF GREATER DERRY

MANCHESTER, NH – As part of its ongoing effort to enhance the quality of life for residents in the communities where People's United Bank operates, the People's United Community Foundation, the philanthropic arm of People's United Bank, announced today that it has awarded \$2,500 to Community Caregivers of Greater Derry.

Community Caregivers of Greater Derry works to assist individuals in remaining independent through a compassionate volunteer community. The funding from People's United Community Foundation will support Project Up-Keep, a home repair and maintenance program serving elderly and disabled residents in Chester, Danville, Derry, Hampstead, Londonderry, Sandown and Windham.

Project Up-Keep also provides free in-home volunteer matches to complete daily living tasks such as light chores, friendly visiting and shopping, as well as transportation to medical appointments.

“The funding will allow us to coordinate as many as 40 small home-repair projects this year, almost all of which simply require a skilled handyman with a little free time, energy and compassion,” said Cindee Tanuma, Executive Director. “We are grateful to People's United Community Foundation for helping to make this happen.”

“It is difficult for the elderly and those with special needs to handle all of the day-to-day tasks that keep a home in good condition,” said Dianne Mercier, Officer of People's United Community Foundation and President, People's United Bank, New Hampshire. “We are pleased to support Community Caregivers and this invaluable service.”

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 community development, youth development, and affordable housing.

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