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## **Monson Savings Bank Announces \$25,000 in Donations as 2026 Community Giving Initiative Votes are Talled**



**Monson, MA** – The people have voted, and the results are in! In late 2025, Monson Savings Bank asked our local community members to cast votes for their local non-profit of choice. Monson Savings Bank is now announcing the 2026 Monson Savings Bank Community Giving Initiative recipients.

This was the sixteenth year Monson Savings Bank ran its Community Giving Initiative poll. The public's excitement to cast their vote has grown throughout the years. This year, more than 5,200 votes were received – a record-breaking response from the community!

Monson Savings Bank's Community Giving Initiative exemplifies the power of collaboration, uniting community members to collectively decide which local organizations receive support. By inviting public

votes, the bank ensures that its charitable contributions reflect the community's values and priorities, fostering a shared commitment to enhancing the well-being of the neighborhoods it serves.

“The community’s enthusiasm for our annual Community Giving Initiative is always so moving!” beamed Michael Rouette, EVP and Chief Operating Officer of Monson Savings Bank. “As a bank operated right here in Western Massachusetts, Monson Savings Bank wants to support the area’s local residents, businesses, and non-profits. Our Community Giving Initiative offers a unique opportunity for our community members to have their voice heard and decide the non-profits they would like us to support.”

Now that the votes have been counted, Monson Savings Bank is planning to donate a generous total of \$25,000 among this year’s top eleven vote recipients. Traditionally, ten recipients are selected, but due to a tie, eleven organizations will be honored this year.

### **2026 Monson Savings Bank Community Giving Initiative Recipients:**

- I Found Light Against All Odds, Springfield
- Magic for Maddie, Southampton
- Friends of Hampden Seniors, Hampden
- South End Community Center, Springfield
- Springfield Ballers, Springfield
- YWCA of Western MA, Springfield
- Monson Free Library, Monson
- Springfield Jewish Community Center, Springfield
- CLUBOH, Springfield
- Aida’s Food Truck, Palmer
- Miracle League of Western MA, Holyoke

“These non-profits bring important resources to our communities. It is obvious why they were chosen by our community members to receive our support,” said Dan Moriarty, President and CEO of Monson Savings Bank. “On behalf of Monson Savings Bank, I congratulate the top eleven recipients of the 2026 Community Giving Initiative, and I thank you for doing your part to help our community thrive!”

To learn more about Monson Savings Bank’s Annual Community Giving Initiative, please visit: <https://www.monsonsavings.bank/connect/our-community/community-giving-initiative.html>

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### **About Monson Savings Bank**

Incorporated as a mutually chartered community bank in 1872, Monson Savings Bank has one of the longest tenures of service and stability in its market. Civic leaders chartered the bank with the intent to give working men and women the opportunity to save, which – incredibly, they could not do prior to the bank’s inception. Today, Monson Savings Bank retains its legacy of empowerment through savings but has expanded to serve its customers with a variety of innovative financial services, including digital banking, online mortgage applications and business banking, and commercial lending. The bank has

expanded on its promise of “where people save, businesses prosper, and communities benefit” by opening offices in Hampden, Wilbraham, Ware, and most recently East Longmeadow, Massachusetts. The bank also opened a retail and business loan operations center in Wilbraham in 2020. Member FDIC, Member DIF, Equal Housing Lender. NMLS # 613363.

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