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Community Bank's Charity Drive Produces Over \$24,000 This Holiday Season

The annual Charity Drive was conducted in Community Bank's full-service branch locations during November, through December 20th. The program is an effort to collect donations in branches to benefit charities in that same area. The bank matches donations at \$0.50 on each dollar, with a max match amount of \$500 per branch location. This season a grand total of \$24,440 in donations and bank matches were dispersed to charities in Northeast Oregon and Southeast Washington.

Following are the amounts the charity organizations received before Christmas as a result of the Charity Drive. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar and include funds raised in the branch and the Community Bank match. Community Connection Food Bank (Enterprise & Joseph branches): \$7,828; Milton-Freewater City Light and Power Energy Assistance Program through the Salvation Army (Milton-Freewater branch): \$3,518; Wallowa Food Bank (Wallowa branch): \$3,271; Neighborhood Center Food Bank (Heppner branch): \$1,646; Baker City Food Banks (Baker City branch): \$1,536; Elgin Food Bank (Elgin branch): \$1,346; CASA of Umatilla Morrow (Hermiston branch): \$1,520; Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon (Pendleton branch): \$1,203; Helping Hands Rescue (Clarkston branch event): \$1,060; Union County Friday Backpack Program (La Grande downtown & Valley branches): \$856; Project Playground, Fort Walla Walla Park (College Place & Walla Walla branches): \$656.

Over the past seven years the Community Bank Charity Drive has provided over \$143,000 to charities in the region. Community Bank would like to thank all the people and clubs that donated to the fund raising efforts. "These charitable organizations do such wonderful things for our communities, it is a pleasure to round up some extra assistance for them during the holiday season," says Tom Moran, Community Bank President/CEO. "We're continually blown away with the generosity of our customers and communities, it's truly amazing. Thank you to everyone who contributed this year."

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