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Penn Community Bank's 'Workplace Connections' Program Raises \$5,000 for Bucks County Nonprofits

Customers who opened a checking account through the bank-at-work program could choose one of five area nonprofits to receive a \$10 donation in their name

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. (January 2018) – Less than one year after its launch, Penn Community Bank's bank-at-work program, Workplace Connections, has raised \$5,000 to be donated to five Bucks County nonprofits.

Begun in February 2017, Workplace Connections brings no-cost financial literacy programs and convenient banking services to local businesses and schools. It also includes an important giving component; for every employee who opened an account through Workplace Connections in 2017, Penn Community Bank would make a donation to one of five area nonprofits. New account holders could direct the donation to the Bucks County Opportunity Council, Bucks County SPCA, Central Bucks Family YMCA, Family Service Association of Bucks County, or Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County.

The 2017 program raised a total of \$5,000 for the five nonprofits, with the lion's share of the proceeds being designated to go to the Bucks County SPCA.

"We are so grateful to Penn Community Bank for inviting us to participate in this innovative program, and appreciate all the new bank customers who designated us to receive their donations," said Linda Reider, Executive Director of the Bucks County SPCA. "As an independent, local nonprofit, we rely on the generous support of people and organizations like Penn Community Bank to enable us to continue our work to assist more than 3,500 animals in need in Bucks County every year."

Founded in 1912, the Bucks County SPCA assists animals in need and prevents suffering through rescue, rehoming, cruelty investigation and prosecution, and community outreach. It operates two no-time-limit shelters, in Lahaska and Quakertown, as well as extensive humane investigation and education programs. It also works to keep animals in their homes and out of the shelter system by offering temporary boarding for pets referred by a social service agency during emergencies, and by donating pet supplies to food pantries. The independent nonprofit receives no government funding and is not affiliated with any national animal welfare organizations, so relies on support from local donors. To learn more, visit www.bcspca.org.

PHOTO CAPTION: (from l) Linda Reider, Executive Director of the Bucks County SPCA, and a furry friend accept a check for \$2,900 from Penn Community Bank, raised through the bank's 2017 Workplace

Connections program, which enabled participants to direct a donation to the local nonprofit. Presenting the check are Cheri Freeh, a member of Penn Community Bank’s Board of Directors and President of the Bucks County SPCA Board of Directors, and Todd Hurley, Executive Vice President, Chief Relationship Officer of Penn Community Bank.

About Penn Community Bank: [Penn Community Bank](#) holds nearly \$2 billion in assets and employs more than 300 people at 24 bank branches and two administrative centers throughout Bucks County and Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. As an independent, mutual financial institution, Penn Community Bank is not publicly traded and operates with its long-term mission in mind: to help businesses grow and prosper, to provide financial resources to individuals and families throughout their lifetimes, to strengthen the local economy, and to partner with local organizations to act as a catalyst for positive growth in every market it serves.

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