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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Ballston Spa National Bank Makes Matching Donation to Regional Food Bank**

*Continues volunteer support for drive-thru food pantries assisting families affected by COVID-19*

BALLSTON SPA, N.Y. – [Ballston Spa National Bank \(BSNB\)](#) recently presented a \$5,000 donation to the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. The donation brings the bank’s financial support to \$10,000 during the pandemic and more than fulfills the bank’s promise to match funds donated by the community to support the food bank’s services.

“We know that times are challenging for many of us as a result of COVID-19 and we’re thrilled by the \$2,003 in personal donations raised within our community. Combined with the bank’s donations, I’m hopeful we will make a difference for those in need,” said Christopher R. Dowd, BSNB president and CEO.

In addition to the financial support, BSNB volunteers recently hosted two drive-thru food pantries resulting in food assistance for more than 1,300 people benefitting from the events.

“As the need for emergency food assistance continues to grow, we are so grateful for partners like BSNB who are finding new ways to help and raise awareness,” said Bethany Stiles, Director of Marketing and Communications, Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. “The financial contributions resulting from the bank’s matching challenge, combined with BSNB’s generous donations and support from their employee volunteers, allow us to provide thousands of meals to people in need. We are so grateful for their continued involvement.”

To support the Regional Food Bank, visit [www.regionalfoodbank.net](http://www.regionalfoodbank.net) and click on ‘donate now’. To find upcoming drive-thru food pantry events, click on ‘drive-thru schedule’.

#### **ABOUT BALLSTON SPA NATIONAL BANK**

With just the right combination of personal service and high tech convenience, BSNB offers a wide range of financial products and services to individuals, families, municipalities, nonprofits, and businesses throughout New York’s greater Capital Region. Find out more about BSNB’s offerings [here](#). To become part of BSNB’s online community, please visit us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

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## ABOUT THE REGIONAL FOOD BANK OF NORTHEASTERN NEW YORK

The Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that collects donated food from the food industry and distributes it to nearly 1,000 charitable agencies feeding the hungry in 23 counties of northeastern New York. The food provided by the Regional Food Bank helps to feed over 350,000 people each month. In 2019, the organization distributed over 40 million pounds of food to the hungry. The Regional Food Bank is a member of Feeding America, the national network of food banks. The organization is supported by foundations, private contributions and fundraising events. For information on services offered by the Regional Food Bank, call (518) 786-3691 or visit [www.regionalfoodbank.net](http://www.regionalfoodbank.net).



*Caption: Ballston Spa National Bank President and CEO Christopher R. Dowd, pictured on left, presents \$5,000 to Bethany Stiles, Director of Marketing and Communications, Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York, pictured on right. The donation brings the bank's financial support to \$10,000 during the pandemic and more than fulfills BSNB's promise to match funds donated by the community to support the food bank's services.*

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*Caption: Ballston Spa National Bank volunteers load food into a patron's trunk at the Ballston Spa High School. Food for the May 29 Drive-Thru Food Pantry was provided by the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. BSNB's donations of \$10,000 during the pandemic, coupled with financial support from the community, will assist the Regional Food Bank in distributing much needed food supplies across the region.*

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