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Employees of First Citizens Provide Over 9,000 Meals to Those in Need

MANSFIELD, PA (July 2019) Volunteerism and giving back are key components of Community Banking. Employees of First Citizens Community Bank have a vested interested in making their towns a great place to live. Each month, their employees go casual for a cause, trading their business suits for blue jeans, and donating from their own pockets to help local families in need when medical bills are piling up, or one of their neighbors faces tragedy. In May, Bank employees donated funds and were able to provide 9,216 meals to the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank.

The dress down day kicked off First Citizens new partnership with the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank. The food bank serves the counties where the Bank operates as it collaborates with more than 1,000 agencies across Pennsylvania. Two primary locations, Harrisburg and Williamsport, average over 4 million pounds of food a month in a network of food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency food providers, schools and more. When the employees of First Citizens saw the need, they didn't hesitate to reach into their pockets to help a neighbor.

"We are proud of our employees because they want to make a difference. They support our culture and commitment to the community. It's part of our vision here at First Citizens to exhibit second-to-none social responsibility and citizenship, and what I am most proud of is that it comes naturally to our employees as they support that vision with great enthusiasm," noted President and CEO Randall E. Black.

The donation made on behalf of First Citizens will support youth programs for at-risk students in local schools, including providing meals on weekends or through the summer months. Donations also support families with at least one member who served or is serving in the armed forces, and seniors. The food bank offers many programs to those in need throughout our communities, like "Fresh Express," which provides fresh, healthy food for pickup all year across 27 counties. The employees at First Citizens Mansfield locations have been helping with the distribution of "Fresh Express" at the Tioga County Branch YMCA.

In the coming months, employees of First Citizens plan to provide hands-on opportunities to support the Central PA Food Bank. If you would like to know more about the Central PA Food Bank and how you can help, please visit their website at <u>www.centralpafoodbank.org</u>.

First Citizens Community Bank is headquartered in Mansfield, Pennsylvania. They currently operate 28 offices throughout Tioga, Bradford, Potter, Clinton, Union, Centre, Lebanon, Lancaster, Schuylkill and Berks counties in Pennsylvania and Allegany County New York. For more information about First Citizens, visit <u>FirstCitizensBank.com</u>, or find them on Facebook.