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CLINTON SAVINGS BANK DONATES TO

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION "FOSTERING CHANGE, INC."

(CLINTON, Mass., August 25th, 2020) —Clinton Savings Bank (CSB) employees collectively raised, with a match from the bank, a total of \$1,000 to present to Fostering Change, Inc., a Non-Profit located in Leominster, MA. Every quarter, CSB employees are invited to participate in a bank-wide day where employees donate to a predetermined local cause and in turn enjoy wearing jeans for the day.

"One of the major components of a child's success is an education. Without the proper supplies and support, children already will start off at a disadvantage. With the increasing amount of adversity that foster children face, and the stigma surrounding their situations, the struggles are overwhelming for them" said Lindsey English, founder and President of Fostering Change, Inc. "With this pandemic, we have had an increase in foster families who need our help, but a decrease in the amount of donations due to the financial strain many of our supporters are feeling at this time. With the donation from CSB, we were able to purchase 20 backpacks, 25 scientific calculators, 55 sets of earbuds, plus other general supplies that were needed. We cannot thank them enough for their support!"

This year is Fostering Change, Inc.'s 3rd year of our Supplies for Success Drive. They service over 300 foster children in Massachusetts, with 95% of those children coming from the North Central and Central Mass regions. They aim to help alleviate some of the struggles that foster children and their foster families face by helping provide adequate school supplies for all foster children from Pre-k through college.



PHOTO CAPTION: Lindsey English, founder of Fostering Change, Inc., surrounded by supplies she will provide to foster children with the \$1,000 donation provided by Clinton Savings Bank.

About Clinton Savings Bank

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About Fostering Change, Inc.

Foster parents received a stipend that covers basic needs, but it doesn't leave much for the material items and experiences that every child should have, such as new school supplies, school yearbooks, class rings, field trips with school, Christmas/birthday gifts, etc.

Fostering Change, Inc. was created with the goal to cover this gap and to provide resources and financial assistance to foster children in the Central Mass area. Founded by Lindsey English, a former foster child herself, Fostering Change Inc., works to support foster children and their foster families, working together with local communities to give foster children their best possible chance for success.

If you would like to know more about what we do, or become a volunteer, or even just to donate any amount to help us help these foster kids, please visit us on Facebook, @FosteringChangeMA or email us at fosteringchangema@gmail.com.