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First National Bank Southwest Awards $1.1 Million in Community Development Grants

Grants bring bank’s 2016 annual grant award total to $1.84 million

OMAHA, Neb. Nov. 15, 2016. – First National Bank Southwest has awarded a total of $1,105,000 in community development grants to 51 organizations in Texas, Nebraska, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas and South Dakota announced Alec Gorynski, Vice President, Corporate Philanthropy and Social Responsibility. The grants, which support Affordable Housing, Education and Job Training, and Economic Development programs, mark the bank’s final disbursement of grant funding for the year. First National Bank awarded a total of $1,840,000 in community development grants in 2016 to organizations across its seven-state service area.

“First National Bank operates under the vision of creating and maintaining successful communities in all the places we operate,” Gorynski said. “Our community development grant program is a key driver in achieving that vision as we partner with community organizations who will make lasting and substantial impacts within our communities.”

In Texas, First National Bank awarded $23,000 in community development grants to two organizations. Grants supporting Educated Workforce initiatives will enable a projected 1,050 individuals to move closer to self-sufficiency. These include:

- $18,000 – Boys and Girls Club of Collin County (McKinney): promotes financial responsibility and independence through financial education for Boys and Girls Club youth.

The bank also awarded a $50,000 grant to GreenPath Financial Wellness, of which $5,000 will provide financial education and credit counseling to individuals in Texas to promote financial stability.

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First National Bank awarded $816,000 in community development grants in Nebraska; $75,000 in Colorado; $48,000 in Illinois; $60,000 in Kansas; and $33,000 in South Dakota. The bank also awarded $50,000 to the National Foundation for Credit Counseling (NFCC), which supports financial counseling activities of NFCC member agencies nationwide and ensures standards for quality credit counseling are met and maintained.

To view First National Bank’s 2015 “First in the Community Impact Report” and learn more about the full extent of its community contributions, please visit: https://www.firstnational.com/site/about-us/in-the-community/index.fhtml

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