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Members First Credit Union Supports Local Manchester Business Employees Receive Angela's Pasta & Cheese Shop Gift Cards for the Holidays

MANCHESTER, NH (December 17, 2020) – [Members First Credit Union](#) is supporting local businesses in a variety of ways, including purchasing employee holiday gifts from a beloved Manchester institution. This year more than 40 Members First employees will enjoy gift cards from [Angela's Pasta & Cheese Shop](#).

Small businesses across the country have suffered the effects of the economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and Manchester's small businesses have been struggling to stay open and keep their employees working. Members First was founded over seventy years ago to provide financial help to community members, and remains dedicated to supporting Manchester and the rest of New Hampshire.

"Each year, we thank our employees for the excellent work they do for our members by giving them a holiday gift," said Bruce Leighton, Members First Credit Union president and CEO. "More than ever, this year we wanted to spread that appreciation by purchasing their gifts from a local small business. We all enjoy the amazing food from Angela's Pasta and Cheese Shop, so it was an easy decision."

Members First senior vice president and community outreach officer, Michael Simoneau, and vice president of marketing, Terry Wiegelman, recently visited shop owner, Steven Freeman, to pick up the gift cards. "I purchased this business in the middle of the pandemic, and we are working around the clock to offer customers safe shopping alternatives for their fine foods and groceries," said Freeman. "The holiday season is crucial for local small businesses, and Members First's support is very welcome during these challenging times. Angela's Pasta is looking forward to seeing more of the Members First team when their new headquarters opens nearby!"

To learn more about Angela's Pasta & Cheese, visit www.angelaspastaandcheese.com.



L-R: Michael Simoneau, Members First Credit Union senior vice president and community outreach officer, visits Steven Freeman, Angela's Pasta and Cheese shop owner, and Bailey Irving, store manager, to purchase holiday gift cards for employees.

About Members First Credit Union

Since 1949, Members First Credit Union has been a trusted financial resource in Manchester, Bedford and surrounding communities. We get to know our members so we can recommend the right solutions to help them reach their goals. In other words: we're small enough to make a big difference.

As a full-service financial institution, we offer the products and services our members need, whether for themselves, their family or business. And because we're not for profit, earnings go back to our members, so they can save and borrow at reasonable rates. Membership is open to anyone living, working, or attending school in New Hampshire. For more information, call 603-622-8781 or visit www.membersfirstnh.org.

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