



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## THE PARTNERSHIP OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CREDIT UNIONS PRESENTS 2020 DONATION OF \$125,000 TO CHARITABLE PARTNER, MAKE-A-WISH NEW HAMPSHIRE SURPASSES \$3 MILLION MILESTONE IN TWENTY-FOUR YEARS

The New Hampshire Credit Unions will present a \$125,000 donation to its charitable partner, Make-A-Wish New Hampshire, an organization that grants life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. This donation, the culmination of an eight-month effort, was achieved from a series of statewide and local fundraising initiatives that ended due to COVID-19 just shy of the final event, the Richard Mahoney Charity Golf Tournament scheduled in June. This marks a 24year total of more than \$3.1 million raised by the credit unions in the Granite State.

Since 1997, the New Hampshire Credit Unions, the largest corporate donor, have worked collaboratively through its Social Responsibility Committee to support Make-A-Wish New Hampshire's efforts to grant wishes. The Social Responsibility Committee, made up of volunteers from credit unions throughout the state, coordinate a variety of successful fundraising initiatives and activities. The New Hampshire Credit Unions are a model for other community and corporate partners as they continue to be a shining example for their commitment to those in need. Through the cooperative power of New Hampshire Credit Unions, more memories and milestones will be realized by Make-A-Wish New Hampshire children and their families. Wishes do come true with New Hampshire CUs!

| WHAT:  | \$3 Million and Counting… Wishes come true with NH CUs<br>NH CUs 2020 Live/Virtual Check Presentation (\$125,000.00)  |
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| WHEN:  | Thursday, June 18, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.   |
| WHO:   | New Hampshire Credit Unions and Make-A-Wish New Hampshire<br>Brian Hughes, Chair, NH Social Responsibility Committee/<br>President & CEO, HRCU, Rochester;<br>Julie Baron, CEO, Make-A-Wish New Hampshire;<br>Credit Unions - CEOs, Representatives, etc. |
| WHERE: | Make-A-Wish New Hampshire, 814 Elm Street, Suite 300, Manchester<br>Virtual/Live Stream via YouTube – <u>https://youtu.be/bZrUE4hRtGE</u>   |

## About The Partnership of New Hampshire Credit Unions

The Partnership of New Hampshire Credit Unions (NH CUs) comprises 15 New Hampshirebased credit unions that together serve more than 735,000 individuals. The partnership leverages its collective power to maximize community outreach efforts, advocate financial literacy, and promote the benefits of credit union membership in New Hampshire. Not-for-profit and memberowned, credit unions typically offer higher deposit rates, lower-cost loans and loan rates, and fewer fees than traditional banks. With strong commitments to social and fiscal responsibility, they embody the motto "better values, better banking." In 2019 alone, NH CUs provided credit union members with \$100.7 million in direct financial benefits, volunteered over 21,000 hours, improved the financial literacy of over 20,000 adults and teens, and contributed \$2.4 million to 755 Granite State nonprofit organizations. Donations alone to Make-A-Wish New Hampshire, made over the past twenty-four years, are surpassing a \$3 million milestone. For more information about NH CUs, visit <u>ccua.org</u>.

The Partnership of New Hampshire Credit Unions includes Bellwether Community Credit Union, Granite State Credit Union, Heritage Family Credit Union, HRCU, Members First Credit Union, New Hampshire Federal Credit Union, New Hampshire Postal Credit Union, NGM Employees Federal Credit Union, NH Community Federal Credit Union, Northeast Credit Union, Precision Federal Credit Union, Service Credit Union, St. Mary's Bank, Together Credit Union, and Triangle Credit Union. All are members of the Cooperative Credit Union Association, Inc., a trade organization that represents credit unions in New Hampshire, Delaware, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

## About Make-A-Wish® New Hampshire

A wish experience can be a game-changer for a child with a critical illness. This one belief guides us at Make-A-Wish New Hampshire in everything we do. It inspires us to grant lifechanging wishes for children going through so much. It compels us to be creative in exceeding the expectations of every wish kid. It drives us to make our donated resources go as far as possible. Most of all, it's the founding principle of our vision to grant the wish of every eligible child. Wishes are more than just a nice thing. For wish kids, just the act of making their wish come true can give them the courage, hope, strength and joy they need to mount their fight against illness. Wishes are far more than gifts, or singular events in time they have the power to become an integral part of a child's treatment journey. Wishes impact everyone involved—wish kids, volunteers, donors, sponsors, medical professionals and communities. Together, we are all creating life-changing wishes for children with critical Illnesses. For more information please visit nh.wish.org.

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