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### **Members First Credit Union Celebrates Grand Opening with \$50,000 Donation to Families in Transition** *Funds will help individuals experiencing homelessness.*

**Manchester, NH (November 4, 2021)** – At the official opening of its new main office recently, [Members First Credit Union](#) presented a check for \$50,000 to Families in Transition, a local organization with a mission to prevent and break the cycle of homelessness.

“While our new headquarters is a wonderful improvement to the City of Manchester, there was an unintended consequence to construction on the property,” explained Bruce Leighton, Members First president and CEO. “A homeless encampment formerly located on the property was displaced in the process. To help address the continued problem of homelessness in Manchester, we want to support Families in Transition and the work they do to address issues related to homelessness, such as mental health and substance misuse.”

Families in Transition is dedicated to providing housing and delivering comprehensive solutions for families and individuals who are experiencing homelessness. In 2020, the agency was able to ensure housing and support for over 450 individuals and children from more than 200 families.

“I want to extend the biggest thank you to Members First for its support of Families in Transition,” said Stephanie Savard, chief external relations officer for Families in Transition, who attended the grand opening. “I truly appreciated Bruce’s comments on the unintended consequences of displacing the encampment due to the construction. The donation is a wonderful gift that will go a long way in supporting our mission to prevent and break the cycle of homelessness.”

Members First has a long history of donating to causes that help make the city a better place to live, work and play. Giving back to its members and the communities it serves is an ongoing commitment for the credit union.

For information about Families in Transition and their mission to end homelessness, visit [www.fitnh.org](http://www.fitnh.org).



*Bruce Leighton, president and CEO of Members First Credit Union, presents Stephanie Savard, chief external relations officer for Families in Transition, with a check for \$50,000 at the grand opening of its new main office on 7 Salmon Street in Manchester.*

### **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](http://www.membersfirstnh.org).

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