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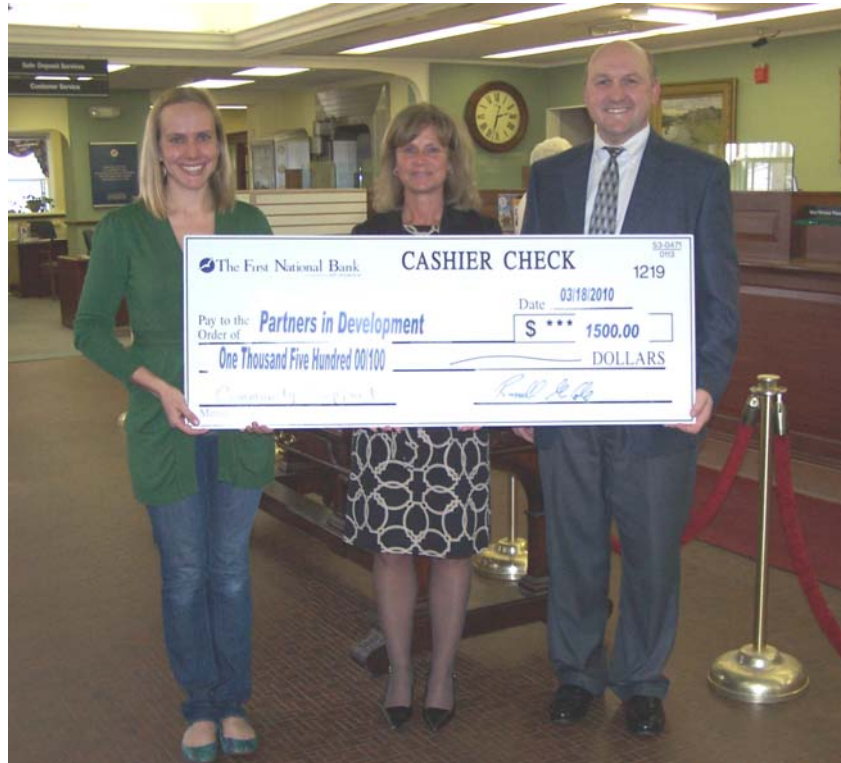
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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF IPSWICH DONATES TO HAITI RELIEF EFFORTS WITH "HEARTS FOR HAITI" FUNDRAISER

IPSWICH, MA – Within one week of the horrific earthquake in Haiti, employees of The First National Bank of Ipswich opened up their hearts and began coordinating relief efforts with Gail Hull, President of Partners In Development. Donation boxes and cans labeled "Hearts for Haiti" were placed in each of the Bank's six locations to collect medical supplies and donations. The support was tremendous, with contributions from customers, community and staff. In addition to those collection efforts, many employees participated in "wear jeans to work" each Friday during the month of February – the monies they donated to earn the privilege of wearing jeans helped to raise additional money to go towards Haiti's Relief effort.

On March 19 Hannah Belkovic, representing Partners In Development, was presented with a check in the amount of \$1,500.00 on behalf of the employees of The First National Bank of Ipswich.

"In the last seven weeks over 11,000 individuals have been provided medicine, tents and food," commented Gail Hull, President of Partners In Development. "We appreciate the fundraising efforts and support that The First National Bank of Ipswich has provided. Many will benefit from their efforts".



Pictured L-R: Hannah Belkovic, Partners In Development, Debbie Lombard, VP General Operations, The First National Bank of Ipswich, and Russell Cole, President of The First National Bank of Ipswich

For additional information on the continuing relief efforts by Partners In Development, please visit www.pidonline.org.

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