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Caritas Communities receives continued sponsorship from Cambridge Savings Bank

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Braintree, MA Expanding a multi-year funding commitment from Cambridge Savings Bank, Caritas Communities has purchased a new pick-up truck to add to its workforce development program fleet. Caritas's maintenance team is staffed by current and former Caritas residents who receive training and experience in all aspects of facilities maintenance. The new truck adds to two vans that are also sponsored by Cambridge Savings Bank and were purchased in 2019.

"Our team works hard to make sure that Caritas residents have a nice home," said senior maintenance technician William Hopkins, a former resident, was hired 2018, and has progressed to a leadership role serving as supervisor and mentor to his team members. "This new truck is a huge help for hauling equipment, especially during recent snowstorms."

"At Cambridge Savings Bank, we prioritize collaborating with organizations that are working to enrich the lives of people in our communities and we are extremely proud to support Caritas Communities," said Wayne Patenaude, president and CEO of Cambridge Savings Bank. "Their efforts to prevent homelessness through housing and supportive programs has had a proven impact

on the greater Boston community and we are committed to supporting their longstanding mission.”

“Now more than ever, Cambridge Savings Bank strives to do more to prevent homelessness and find affordable housing solutions for our community members in need. Caritas consistently executes a gold standard strategy to combatting this issue and has positively impacted the lives of thousands of our neighbors in greater Boston,” said Katie Catlender, EVP, Chief Customer Officer at Cambridge Savings Bank and Caritas Board Member. “I am honored to serve on the board and help expand the success Caritas has had in changing lives through safe and secure housing.”

“It is a win-win for us to invest in our residents through training in facilities maintenance. The team has gained job skills and income stability, and they take pride in serving residents who have experienced homelessness,” said Karin Cassel Mitterando, Executive Director at Caritas Communities. “This new truck, along with the vans, provides the team with the equipment and mobility they need to maintain 33 properties in Greater Boston. We are so grateful to Cambridge Savings Bank for their unwavering commitment to our mission.”

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