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**NORTHWEST COMMUNITY BANK SUPPORTS COMMUNITY ART SCHOOL
RENOVATION**

(TORRINGTON, CT...FEBRUARY 6, 2018) ... Northwest Community Bank is a Platinum Sponsor in the Adopt an Artist Initiative at Connecticut Academy for the Arts (CAFTA) in Torrington. The ongoing initiative was launched to raise funds for CAFTA's Community Room renovations. CAFTA's Co-founding Executive Director of CAFTA Teresa Graham Sullivan, expressed gratitude for the bank's donation "...to help make CAFTA's Community Room renovation become a reality."

CAFTA is a non-profit cultural arts organization dedicated to providing individuals of all ages a means to identify, explore and utilize their creative ideas and talents with excellence and high standards on a competitively global level.

Northwest Community Bank is a mutually owned state-chartered bank, headquartered in Winsted, Connecticut since 1860. In addition to Winsted's Main Office, the bank has branches in Avon, Granby, New Hartford, and Torrington; and an academic branch at Northwestern Regional High School in Winsted.

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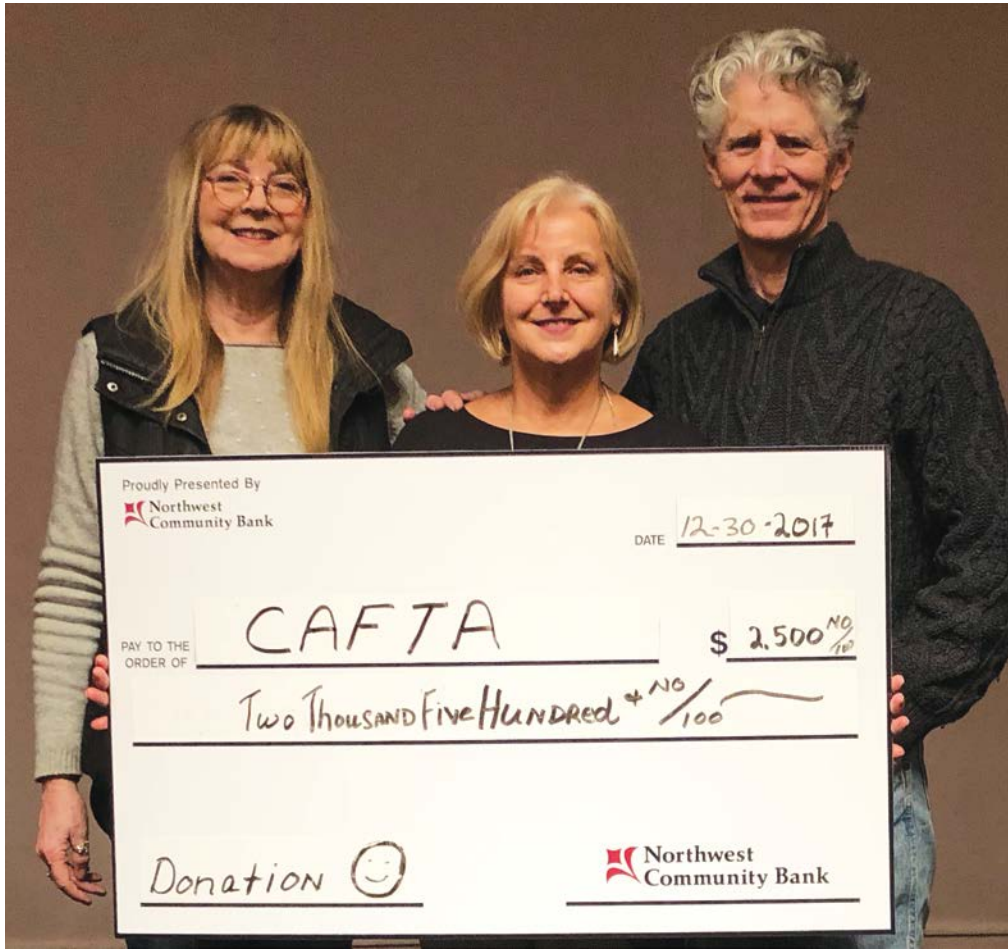


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(Left to right): Teresa Graham Sullivan, Co-founding Executive Director of CAFTA; Monica Diulio, Northwest Community Bank Assistant Vice President and Torrington Branch Manager; and John Henry Sullivan III, Co-founding Director of CAFTA.