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**GIFTS OF LOVE RECEIVES SUPPORT FROM NORTHWEST COMMUNITY BANK**

(AVON, CT...FEBRUARY 26, 2018) ... Northwest Community Bank recently contributed \$5,000 to Gifts of Love in Avon. The donation was made to assist Gifts of Love's mission to reduce the financial crisis for working individuals and families in Greater Hartford through short-term programs and education that support and improve sustainability.

Annually, Gifts of Love and Community Farm of Simsbury distribute more than \$300,000 worth of goods and services to neighbors in need. Over the past 29 years, Gifts of Love has directly touched the lives of thousands of people in the Greater Hartford community, including residents of more than 30 Connecticut towns. Northwest Community Bank's President and CEO Stephen Reilly says, "Northwest Community Bank has always appreciated the valuable service Gifts of Love provides to people throughout the region, and we are pleased we can help them sustain their terrific community work."

Northwest Community Bank is a mutually owned state-chartered bank, headquartered in Winsted, Connecticut since 1860. In addition to its branch office in Avon, the bank has branches in Granby, New Hartford, and Torrington. The main office and an academic branch at Northwestern Regional High School are in Winsted.

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(Left to right): Maura Fitzgerald, board chairwoman, Gifts of Love; Jeremy Greshin, board member, Gifts of Love; Dan Sullivan, vice president and commercial lender, Northwest Community Bank; Steve Reilly, president and chief executive officer, Northwest Community Bank; and Susan Pribyson, executive director, Gifts of Love.

