

## PRESS RELEASE

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## \$5,000 PROVIDED TO SUPPORT 48,000 MEALS / MONTH

Through its Charitable Contributions program, Prevail Bank donated \$5,000 to Feeding Our Communities with United Services (FOCUS). FOCUS is the collaboration and merger of three non-profits in 2020: South Wood Emerging Pantry Shelf (SWEPS), The Neighborhood Table (TNT), and the Rapids Family Backpacks (RFB) program. The donated funds will go toward the purchase of a new Walk-In Cooler that will house the food required to produce 48,000 meals a month for the low-to-moderate income individuals and families they serve.

"The services of FOCUS have helped those in need in our community for many years," said Dale Bikowski, a member of the FOCUS Board of Directors and Board Treasurer. "By combining our services under one roof, it will make our efforts more efficient, beneficial, and easier for our clients fighting food insecurity, donors and volunteers."

Taylor Doescher, Prevail Bank Branch Manager – Wisconsin Rapids, shared, "Prevail Bank is proud to support FOCUS. We commend their efforts and successes in fighting the war on hunger."

In July 2021, FOCUS announced a community campaign to raise \$250,000 to obtain the funds needed to complete its relocation project at 2321 W. Grand Avenue in Wisconsin Rapids and to build needed operating funds. This new facility will have a commercial kitchen, a dining area and dedicated unloading and food storage areas. Those wishing to contribute can visit, <a href="https://www.Focusofswc.org">www.Focusofswc.org</a> to donate electronically.

Prevail Bank's goal is to pursue what's possible within the communities it serves. It is passionate about economic development, financial stability and growth for individuals, families, and businesses. Prevail Bank is a community bank that is continuously looking for ways to give back, support those pursuing dreams, and make things better in central Wisconsin.

Prevail Bank's Charitable Contributions program is available for local non-profit organizations that help local people in



need, especially those with low-to-moderate incomes; stimulate communities financially; and/or enhances the standard of living of those less fortunate. If your organization is interested in applying for funds for a major initiative in your community, go to: Prevail.bank/resources/community

**PHOTO CAPTION:** Through its Charitable Contributions program, Prevail Bank donated \$5,000 to Feeding Our

Communities with United Services (FOCUS). The donated funds will go toward the purchase of a new Walk-In Cooler that will house the food required to produce 48,000 meals a month. Taylor Doescher, Prevail Bank's Branch Manager (left),

presented FOCUS' Pantry Operations Manager, Dale Davis, and Mary Schultz, FOCUS' Fundraising Committee Chairperson, with the \$5,000 check.

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Prevail Bank is a federally chartered savings bank founded in 1934 with locations in Baraboo, Eau Claire, Marshfield, Medford, Owen, Phillips, Stevens Point, Wausau and Wisconsin Rapids.

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