

## INTERRA CELEBRATES RECORD BREAKING HOMETOWN GIVING HOLIDAY PROJECT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 6, 2024 – Interra Credit Union held its 30<sup>th</sup> annual Hometown Giving holiday service project where staff and members raised a record-breaking total of \$47,515.71 to benefit 43 nonprofit agencies throughout the five counties the credit union serves. These agencies focus on the needs of adults and children, meal providing, clothing, medical supplies, and education.

Hometown Giving originally started as a community coat drive and has grown into much more over the last 30 years. Through a variety of initiatives, the project provides financial support, hosts parties and events, adopts families and donates wish list items to support organizations that serve those in need. For this milestone Hometown Giving year, Interra employees set a goal of raising \$40,000 and were pleasantly surprised when they surpassed that goal by more than \$7,000.

"Our staff continues to amaze me," said Amy Sink, Chief Executive Officer.

"As a part of Interra's commitment to Do Well To Do Good™, nothing makes me happier than to see our staff come together for the greater good of this community. "

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Members of Interra Credit Union's Hometown Giving service project committee surround Amy Sink, Chief Executive Officer, and Andy Marshall, Chief Operating Officer. A record-breaking total of \$47,515.71 was donated to nonprofit agencies throughout Interra's

Fundraisers by staff totaling more than \$12,000, member donations of nearly \$6,000 through the Merry Match initiate and a corporate donation of

\$25,000, contributed to the total funds raised this year. Interra staff members also volunteered with a variety of organizations and events including the Goshen Salvation Army bell ringing, Soup of Success product preparation, and holiday party celebrations at Boys & Girls Clubs and Bashor's Children's Home. Interra's valuable staff and members also made donations to 35 Angel Tree organizations in order to provide provisions and donated holiday gifts. These gifts were delivered through adopt-a-family programs for Lakeland Youth Center, ADEC, CAPS and Fairfield Food Pantry.

"The generosity of our members and staff amazes each year with how they support Hometown Giving," shared Andy Marshall, Chief Operating Officer. "There are so many great organizations that these resources go to support and it's an honor that Interra can lead this holiday initiative."

The recipients of the monetary donations or wish list items collected include: ADEC, Arc Opportunities, Bashor Children's Home, Boys & Girls Clubs (Bremen, Elkhart, Goshen, Middlebury, Nappanee, and Plymouth), Cancer Resources of Elkhart County, CAPS, Cardinal Services of Marshall County, Center for Healing & Hope, Church Community Services/Soup of Success, Clothes & Food Basket of LaGrange County, Elijah Haven, Elkhart County Council on Aging, Fairfield Food Pantry, Family Christian Development Center, Five Little Stones, Goshen Interfaith/First Light Mission, LaGrange Miracle Tree, Lakeland Youth Center, Lighthouse Daycare Ministries of Noble County, Madison Township Firefighters, Maple City Kiwanis Tools for Schools, Marshall County Neighborhood Center, Middlebury Food Pantry, RETA, Ryan's Place, St. Joe Valley Blue Star Mothers, St. Paul's United Methodist Christmas Shoppe, Salvation Army, Sleep In Heavenly Peace, SPA Women's Ministry, Syracuse Food Pantry, The Villages, Wakarusa Elementary School and The Window.



Interra Credit Union, headquartered in Goshen, was charted in 1932 and has assets of \$1.7 billion. The credit union's field of membership spans 24 counties in northern Indiana, with more than 325 full and part-time employees serving more than 91,000 members. Interra currently operates 16 offices in Elkhart, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Marshall and Noble counties in Indiana and via a suite of robust electronic services at interracu.com.

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