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PRESS RELEASE: THE STATE BANK PARTNERS WITH THE FOOD BANK OF EASTERN MICHIGAN FOR THE 14TH STRAIGHT YEAR

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**SUCCESSFUL HOLIDAY CAMPAIGN FOR THE STATE BANK AND THE
FOOD BANK OF EASTERN MICHIGAN**

January 24, 2018, Fenton, MI – The State Bank is proud to announce another successful year in their campaign to raise funds for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. This year, the bank’s fourteen Genesee and Saginaw County branches participated in various fundraisers, including collecting donations from customers, candle and candy bar sales, and restaurant nights. The branches have friendly competitions to see who can raise the most funds for this great cause.

This year, the bank was proud to present the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan with a check for \$25,000. In the 14-year partnership between the two organizations, The State Bank has contributed a total of \$189,706 – or 1,138,236 meals – to fight hunger right here in the community.

“At The State Bank, we take great pride in giving back to the communities in which we serve and doing so through the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan is a great fit. The services they offer help combat one of the biggest problems we face in this area, and we are happy to do whatever we can to join in on that fight,” Ron Justice, President and CEO, The State Bank.

Kara Ross, Interim President of the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, adds “We are very thankful to have businesses like The State Bank who go out of their way to support the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan during the holiday season. The efforts of the employees and customers of The State Bank help families struggling with hunger put food on their tables. This years generous donation will provide 150,000 meals to food insecure individuals this year.”

The Holiday Campaign, through the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, began in 1994 and has raised \$11.1 million since it's inception.



L to R: John Scott, The State Bank, Cathy Blankenship, Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, Kristy Schaffer, The State Bank, Ron Justice, President and CEO, The State Bank, Dennis Leyder, The State Bank, Stacey Webb, The State Bank, Kara Ross, Interim President, Food Bank of Eastern Michigan and Craig Johnson, The State Bank

About Fentura Financial and The State Bank

Fentura Financial is the holding company for The State Bank. It was formed in 1987 and is traded on the OTCQX exchange under the symbol FETM, and was recognized as one of the Top 50 performing stocks for 2015 on that exchange.

The State Bank is a full-service, retail and trust bank headquartered in Fenton, Michigan. It has assets of approximately \$757 million. It currently operates fifteen full-service branches located in Genesee, Livingston, Oakland, Saginaw and Shiawassee Counties and loan production offices in Washtenaw and Saginaw Counties. The State Bank's commercial department provides a complete array of products including lines of credit, term loans, commercial mortgages, SBA loans and a full-suite of cash management products. The retail department offers personal checking, savings, time and IRA deposit accounts and all types of loan products including home equity, auto and personal loans. The residential loan department offers construction, purchase and refinance residential mortgage loans. The wealth management department offers a full-service suite of trust and portfolio management services. The aim of The State Bank is to become and remain "Your Financial Partner for Life." More information can be found at www.thestatebank.com.

About the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan

Serving families in need since 1981, the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan has grown to provide more than 28 million pounds of food, including over 10 million pounds of fresh produce, each year. Working through a network of more than 415 partner agencies, including local food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters, the Food Bank impacts more than 331,000 people who struggle with hunger throughout 22 eastern Michigan counties. For more information, visit www.fbem.org.