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WEST SHORE BANK COMPLETES 13TH ANNUAL SPIRIT OF GIVING FUNDRAISER

Ludington, MI – West Shore Bank is pleased to announce that 640 Christmas meals will be distributed between Benzie, Mason, Manistee and Oceana County food pantries as a result of this year's *Spirit of Giving* meal fundraiser. Throughout the month of November, West Shore Bank collected funds from employees, community members and businesses. West Shore Bank proudly matched these funds raising up to \$2,500 to increase the impact of the holiday season meals in its communities.

Fundraising efforts for the *Spirit of Giving* are made possible with the partnership of Shop-N-Save in Ludington, Hansen Foods in Hart, Family Fare in Manistee and Shop-N-Save in Benzonia. Arrangements were made and coordinated with each grocery partner to purchase a complete meal at a special pre-determined price and meals are distributed through local food pantries.

“Making a difference in our communities is not just a tagline, it’s something we have and always will take very seriously,” said Raymond Biggs, President and CEO of West Shore Bank. “Fundraising each holiday season is one of our favorite ways to give back right here in our own neighborhoods. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to our food pantry and grocery partners, as well as all who have graciously donated to Spirit of Giving this year.”

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Founded in 1898, West Shore Bank is an independent community bank with nine full-service banking offices. In addition, West Shore Bank—Wealth Management provides investment, trust and insurance services, with offices in Traverse City, Ludington and Muskegon. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3p2wdtj>.