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Marquette Bank Employees Support Local Shelter Organizations

*Marquette Neighborhood Commitment wraps up shelter quarter activities
including employee volunteering and fundraising*

Orland Park, IL (April 15, 2011) – Marquette Bank, a locally-owned neighborhood bank, completed fundraising and volunteer activities to support local shelter organizations during January, February and March of 2011. Through the Marquette Neighborhood Commitment, the Bank assisted 22 shelter and welfare organizations with employee fundraisers, coat and shoe drives, donations and volunteer projects.

Each year, the Marquette Neighborhood Commitment gives back to the community in specific areas of need including shelter, hunger, education and health/wellness. During the first quarter, the Marquette Neighborhood Commitment focused its efforts on shelter organizations resulting in more than 200 volunteer hours, over \$9,000 in employee donated funds and over 1,000 meals prepared for the shelter guests.

In January, Marquette Bank employees held a special “Jeans Day” where employees paid \$5 to wear jeans on a special Friday with proceeds benefiting the Japanese Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Fund. Money raised for the effort was matched by the Bank and donated to the American Red Cross and Salvation Army. The Bank held several other “Jeans Days” and fundraising activities including prize drawings and pancake breakfasts to raise funds for local shelters.

This year, for the first time ever, Bank employees organized a special committee to support local animal welfare groups. Activities included volunteering at the Animal Welfare League and participating in fundraisers such as a pet photo contest, where employees paid to enter their pet's photo and voted to select the winner. All money raised through the contest and other initiatives was donated to three local animal shelters.

Organizations receiving assistance during Marquette Bank's Shelter Quarter included:

- Animal Welfare League of Chicago Ridge
- American Red Cross for Japanese Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Fund
- Clara's House in Chicago
- Crisis Center For South Suburbia in Tinley Park
- Daybreak Center in Joliet
- Englewood Cares Outreach Ministries in Chicago
- Englewood Food Network in Chicago
- Greater Walters AME Zion Church in Chicago
- Hope 4 Paws Rescue in Plainfield
- Lamb's Fold Center for Women and Children in Joliet
- Misericordia Home in Chicago
- Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago
- Pet Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) of Tinley Park
- The Port Ministries in Chicago
- Saint Rose Center in Chicago
- Salvation Army for Japanese Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Fund
- Share Your Soles Foundation in Alsip
- South Suburban PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) in Chicago Ridge
- Spanish Coalition For Housing in Chicago
- Su Casa Shelter in Chicago
- Tabitha House in South Holland
- Together We Cope in Tinley Park

For more information about the Marquette Neighborhood Commitment or more about the Bank, please call 1-888-254-9500 or visit www.emarquettebank.com.



Photo Caption: As part of the Marquette Neighborhood Commitment, Marquette Bank employees held fundraisers including Pancake Breakfasts for employees at the Pulaski, Oak Forest and Orland Park locations to raise money for local shelter organizations. Marquette Bank and employees helped 22 shelter and welfare organizations through in-kind donations, fundraising and volunteer projects.

About Marquette Bank:

Marquette National Corporation is a \$1.7 billion diversified financial holding company for Marquette Bank. Marquette Bank has been a locally-operated bank providing personalized banking service since 1945. Marquette Bank is a full-service, customer-focused neighborhood bank that serves the financial needs of Chicagoland communities, offering an extensive line of financial products including retail banking, mortgages, trust and business banking, free Online Bill Pay and free Automated Telephone Banking. Marquette Bank's retail branches are located in Chicago, Aurora, Bolingbrook, Bridgeview, Evergreen Park, Hickory Hills, Lemont, New Lenox, Oak Lawn, Oak Forest, Orland Park, Romeoville and Summit, Illinois. Marquette Bank customers have convenient free access to over 43,000 Allpoint and Starsf ATMs worldwide.

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