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Santander Bank Commits \$15K to Prevent Homelessness in Greater Nashua

NASHUA, NH, (September 5, 2019) – The Front Door Agency received a \$15,000 grant from Santander Bank, N.A. in support of the non-profit’s Housing Stability Program. The program helps homeless or struggling individuals and families in Greater Nashua maintain their current housing or obtain new, permanent housing through rapid re-housing, assistance with back rent and utilities, security deposit loans and one-on-one case management.

The Housing Stability Program has prevented homelessness for more than 30 years by addressing a key driver of homelessness in the area: a lack of affordable housing. With fair market rent in Nashua exceeding \$1,200 for a two-bedroom apartment and \$1,700 for a three-bedroom apartment, it does not take much for a family facing a temporary crisis to find themselves facing homelessness.

“Many of the families we serve are living paycheck-to-paycheck,” says Maryse Wirbal, CEO of the Front Door Agency. “With no extra savings, an unexpected financial crisis, like a health scare or car repair, can easily lead to homelessness. Santander Bank’s generous support will provide funding to help families facing eviction or utility disconnection during a short-term crisis, preventing homelessness and assisting them back to self-sufficiency.”

Our Housing Advocate works with individuals on developing and maintain budgets, building a resume and providing referrals for mental health services.

Santander Bank, N.A. is one of the country’s largest retail and commercial banks with more than 600 branches throughout the Northeast. The Bank invests in non-profit organizations that have a measurable impact in the communities it serves, with a focus on affordable housing, financial education, economic development and neighborhood revitalization. Learn more at www.santanderbank.com.

About The Front Door Agency

Last year, the Front Door Agency assisted more than 2,100 people in Greater Nashua through its core programs, which in addition to Transformational Housing for single mothers include Financial Literacy; a Holiday Santa Program and a Housing Stability Program offering assistance with rent, utilities, security deposit loans and permanent affordable housing. To learn more, visit www.frontdooragency.org.

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