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## CHELSEA STATE BANK & EMPLOYEES DONATE \$2,406 TO FAITH IN ACTION THROUGH BLUE JEANS FOR CHARITY

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025 | WASHTENAW & JACKSON COUNTY, MI** – Chelsea State Bank and its employees donated \$2,406 to Faith in Action on Tuesday, November 4, 2025. The dollars raised for this donation came from Chelsea State Bank (CSB) employees and a bank match as part of their ongoing Blue Jean for Charity Fund.

Over 10 years ago, Chelsea State Bank employees kicked off their *Blue Jeans for Charity* fund to raise money for local charities. Employees donate \$3 per person weekly, allowing them to wear jeans to work on Fridays. Chelsea State Bank then matches the employee donations for the selected non-profit agency.

“Faith in Action provides critical support to alleviate hunger and poverty in the Dexter, Chelsea, and surrounding communities,” said Joanne Rau, President and CEO, Chelsea State Bank. “Faith in Action helps families during vulnerable times with their basic needs. We know every dollar matters to the mission at Faith in Action.”

### **About Faith in Action:**

Faith In Action, with the help of many individuals, businesses, community groups, and congregational supporters, has become the largest emergency service provider in western Washtenaw County. We are the grateful beneficiary of significant help from United Way for Southeastern Michigan, Material Girls, Chelsea Community Foundation, Ann Arbor Kiwanis, Dexter Community Fund, Dexter Lions, Dexter Rotary and Chelsea Hospital. FIA has partnerships with Food Gatherers and Avalon Housing. <https://faithinaction1.org/>

### **About Chelsea State Bank**

Chelsea State Bank is a full-service financial institution with offices in Chelsea, Dexter, and Jackson. The Bank was formed over 125 years ago by local business leaders to provide timely financial solutions to individuals, families, and businesses in the community. This tradition of community service continues today. For more information, please call 734.475.1355 or visit [www.chelseastate.bank](http://www.chelseastate.bank).

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*Pictured left to right: Chelsea State Bank Team Members: Mark Stevens, John Lee, Joe Stempek, Emily Schaible, Bill Bacon, Madison Welshans, and Nicole Bell, joined by Robin from Dexter's Faith In Action.*