

CHELSEA STATE BANK & EMPLOYEES DONATE \$2,396 TO AWARE SHELTER, THROUGH BLUE JEANS FOR CHARITY

THURSDAY JULY 30, 2026, | WASHTENAW, JACKSON MI – Chelsea State Bank and its employees made a \$2,396 donation to the Aware Shelter, an organization that provides services to domestic and sexual violence survivors. 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.

“We had the privilege of working with Christi and the Aware Team earlier this year during the Jackson Chamber of Commerce Day of Impact and we immediately felt the profound influence they have on the survivors,” said Joanne Rau, President & CEO, Chelsea State Bank.

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.

“We are truly honored that you chose AWARE as the recipient of your Jeans Fundraiser”, said Christi O’Neil, Executive Director, Aware, Inc. “We sincerely appreciate your support and your commitment to helping survivors of domestic and sexual violence in our community. Your generosity will help us continue providing the essential services that survivors rely on every day.”

About AWARE:

AWARE, Inc. strives to eliminate domestic and sexual violence while promoting social change and empowering survivors by offering shelter and services. This organization provides free, confidential supportive services, including temporary shelter. Their advocacy team works with survivors, exploring options for rebuilding a stable foundation free from violence.

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.



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Date July 29, 2026

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