



News Release

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Huntington Bank Donates \$5,000 to Lifesteps



Tom Nist, Senior Vice President, Huntington Bank (left), Karen Sue Owens, Lifesteps, President and Chief Executive Officer (center), and Karen Roth, Not For Profit & University Specialist, VP, Huntington Bank (right)

BUTLER, PA – Huntington Bank donates \$5,000 to Lifesteps through the 2017 Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program, an initiative of the PA Department of Community and Economic Development. The EITC program enables businesses to receive tax credit when a donation is made to a qualified Pre-Kindergarten Scholarship Organization (PKSO) or Educational Improvement Organization (EIO). Lifesteps is an approved organization receiving both Pre-K Scholarship and Education Improvement donations via EITC.

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Huntington Banks contribution to Lifesteps for their EIO efforts will be used to support vocational skills training for students in Lifesteps Transition Program. . . The Next Step. The Program is offered for high school students and young adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities, including Autism, to prepare them to live as independently as possible. The program incorporates three primary areas – independent living skills, vocational and employment skills, and ongoing education and training. Program staff work with each student to help them reach their unique personal potential and encourage the development of pre-vocational skills and self-advocacy.

“We know how important vocational training is for young adults, especially those with disabilities,” said INSERT REPRESENTATIVE NAME of Huntington Bank. “We’re pleased to be able to support Lifesteps and young adults in our community.”

Businesses eligible for the credit are ones who are authorized to do business in Pennsylvania and who are subject to one or more of the following taxes: Corporate Net Income Tax; Capital Stock Franchise Tax, Bank and Trust Company Shares Tax; Title Insurance Companies Shares Tax; Insurance Premiums Tax; Mutual Thrift Institution Tax; Malt Beverage Tax or Personal Income Tax. Call Julie Thumma, (724) 283-2154 x 310 or email jthumma@lifesteps.net to participate.

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Lifesteps, a local non-profit agency serving Pennsylvania communities since 1923, offers family-focused services in a caring, nurturing environment. The Agency provides Early Education Services including Child Care, Summer Discovery Programs and Preschool in an integrated environment for children of all abilities; Early Head Start services in Beaver County for qualifying expectant mothers and children from birth to age 3; free child developmental/Autism screenings for children birth to age 5 known as “Child Check” as well as other family services. Residential Living, Community Outreach Day Services and Behavioral and Speech services are offered for Adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Employment Services are available for people with disabilities; and a medically-monitored Adult Day Health Services day program in Butler County provides Seniors with an option for care. Lifesteps is a member agency with the United Way of Armstrong, Beaver, Butler and Indiana Counties. For more information call Lifesteps at 724-283-1010 or log on to www.lifesteps.net.

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