

## Families First Community Center

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"The true reflection of society can be seen in the way that it cares for the elderly, the poor and needy, and the homeless." ~ Hubert Humphrey ~



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## FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK COMMUNITY 150 AND **\*YOU\*** AWARDED \$5,000 GRANT TO FAMILIES FIRST COMMUNITY CENTER

ELLSWORTH – Families First Community Center (FFCC) was awarded a \$5,000 grant by Franklin Savings Bank's Community 150 that will be invaluable in aiding FFCC in aiding their renovation fund!

"We are so very grateful to Franklin Savings Bank and to the entire community for voting for FFCC to win this \$5,000 grant from Franklin Savings Bank Community 150! We would not have this grant without your vote and we are very grateful to everyone who voted! The money will be going toward FFCC's renovation fund", said Terri Ouellette, president of the board of directors. This was part of Franklin Savings Bank's celebration of 150 years of serving Maine.

Families First Community Center, a non-profit organization founded in 2015, is currently renovating a large house and barn, with an addition, at 41 North Street, Ellsworth, to forward their main mission of breaking the cycle of homelessness by housing six families with minor children and equipping them with the skills they need to gain self-sufficiency.

In addition to housing, the community center will provide services such as educational and job training courses, medical and safety services, a variety of life skills, and case management. These will not only be open to the residents of the home, but to anyone in need in Hancock County.

Ouellette states, "I want to acknowledge everyone who voted for us! We would not have this fantastic grant if not for you! FFCC would also like to present a challenge to every other bank in Hancock County to match Franklin Savings Banks generous grant."

Families First Community Center is currently seeking volunteers in every aspect of their organization and especially to help with the home renovations that are currently ongoing.

For more information, to donate funds or materials, call 460-3711, mail PO Box 951, Ellsworth, email <u>familiesfirstellsworth@gmail.com</u> or visit their website at <u>www.familiesfirstellsworth.org</u>.

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