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Philip Pettinelli – Southbridge Savings Bank President & CEO and Jim Morin -Town of Southbridge Health Director

Southbridge Emergency Fuel Assistance Receives Major Donation

December 2, 2009 - The Southbridge Emergency Fuel Assistance is pleased to announce a major donation from Southbridge Savings Bank. Southbridge Savings Bank's generous support of a \$2,000 will help the organizations goal of raising funds to help assist Southbridge residents with fuel.

The Southbridge Emergency Fuel Assistance is a non-profit organization designed to assist those in urgent need of receiving aid to purchase fuel. The aid is available by calling the Southbridge Health Department, Monday-Friday, during normal business hours or contacting Fire Department for emergencies purposes only. Applicants are asked to complete an application then referred to Worcester Community Council Action for further assistance. Once the information is received by the Southbridge Health Department, the Health Director will perform an assessment including checking smoke detectors and the furnace. Upon completion, fuel is delivered to the resident as soon as possible.

“The Board of Trustees and I are happy to help those in need,” the Bank’s president and CEO, Phil Pettinelli, said on offering Southbridge Savings’ donation. “In these economic times it is important to reach out to those that are most directly impacted.”

Southbridge Health Director, Jim Morin stated in a recent interview, “It is with the wonderful assistance from businesses like Southbridge Savings Bank that allow us to be able to provide these programs to the community.”

If you want to find more information about the Southbridge Emergency Fuel Assistance reach them by calling 508-764-4252

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