



First Niagara Supports Community Missions of Niagara Frontier, Inc.

-- Donation will help local families in need--

BUFFALO, N.Y., June 13, 2013 – The First Niagara Foundation is providing financial support for Community Missions of Niagara Frontier, Inc. and their Community Soup Kitchen as they work to provide food for local families in need.

Community Missions provides a unique blend of referral, crisis, community support and residential services for young people and adults. The First Niagara Foundation is donating \$1,000 to the organization.

“We are proud to support an organization that is making a difference by supporting families faced with difficult times,” said Elizabeth Gurney, Executive Director of the First Niagara Foundation. “The funding we are providing will help Community Missions continue to be a place of support, refuge and hope in the community.”

“We are excited and grateful for this generous donation from the First Niagara Foundation,” said Robyn L. Krueger, Executive Director of Community Missions. “First Niagara has been a tremendous partner of Community Missions, and their ongoing support for the agency as well as for the communities they serve is evidenced again with this donation. The work performed daily throughout the Mission, and in particular our Crisis Services, would not be possible without the support of donations such as this.”

According to Community Missions, the Community Soup Kitchen served 29,646 meals last year alone.

About The First Niagara Foundation

First Niagara Foundation is a not for profit corporation founded in 1998. The Foundation is committed to supporting organizations in the communities in which we live and work with specific focus on youth and education, community development and neighborhood revitalization. In 2012 the Foundation contributed more than \$10 million in charitable grants to community partners. For more information, visit www.firstniagara.com/community.

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