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**MARTHA'S VINEYARD BANK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION  
SUPPORTS MASSACHUSETT'S MILITARY SUPPORT  
FOUNDATION AS IT PROVIDES FOOD BOXES TO FAMILIES IN  
NEED ON MARTHA'S VINEYARD**

Buzzards Bay, MA – With support from Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation, Massachusetts Military Support Foundation (MMSF) will provide USDA Farmers to Families Food Boxes to families in need on Martha's Vineyard. MMSF will collaborate with Island Food Pantry, Food Baskets Martha's Vineyard, Vineyard Committee on Hunger, and Island Grown Initiative to ensure the families most in need are able to receive these boxes.

“Being able to serve our Island community during the course of the year is important, but the holiday season is an extra special time to give,” said James M. Anthony, President of the Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation. “We are grateful to have the resources to assist the food distribution effort and we are thankful for all the dedicated people who work tirelessly at the participating food insecurity agencies to make it happen.”

As a distributor for the USDA Farmers to Families program, Massachusetts Military Support Foundation will transport fresh food boxes to families that are being challenged by the ongoing pandemic, which is causing increasing food insecurity among Vineyard families. Each family will receive a 32-pound box of groceries including cheese, produce, milk and meats. The food is provided at no cost to families.

Distribution will take place on Friday, December 18 and Saturday, December 19 on the standard food distribution schedule of the collaborating agencies.

Massachusetts Military Support Foundation is grateful to Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation for its sponsorship of this food distribution event serving residents of Martha's Vineyard. The Foundation's support helps to cover expenses that the organization incurs as a USDA distributor. These expenses include equipment, fuel for trucks, refrigeration and freezer units, and truck rentals and insurance.

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**About the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation:**

The Massachusetts Military Support Foundation's (MMSF) mission is to provide programs, services and goods that help satisfy critical needs and enhance the well-being and quality of life for Massachusetts Veterans, active-duty Military, National Guard, Coast Guard, and their families. Visit [www.mmsfi.org](http://www.mmsfi.org) for more information.

**About Martha's Vineyard Savings Bank:**

Martha's Vineyard Bank is a full-service bank headquartered in Edgartown, Massachusetts. Services offered include residential and commercial lending, business and personal banking, trust, and investment services. The Bank operates 11 offices and 17 ATMs on Martha's Vineyard and in Falmouth. With over a century-long tradition of providing financial services, Martha's Vineyard Bank reports \$844 million in total assets as of December 31, 2019. Martha's Vineyard Bank deposits are totally insured through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Depositor's Insurance Fund (DIF). Investment services are provided by Martha's Vineyard Investment Advisors, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Martha's Vineyard Bank.