

PRESS RELEASE
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**Martha's Vineyard Bank and the Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation
Awards \$85,100 in Grants and Donations to Area Nonprofits**

Edgartown, MA – Martha's Vineyard Bank announced today that the Martha's Vineyard Bank and the Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation have awarded \$85,100 in their first quarter 2020 cycle to non-profits on Island and in the surrounding area.

The Grants Committee meets quarterly and is committed to the betterment of our community in the areas of Education, Economic Development, Health & Human Services, Culture, Art & Historic Heritage, and Community Services.

The 19 organizations chosen for this quarter are:

Martha's Vineyard Sharks Baseball, Martha's Vineyard Wind Festival, Falmouth Chorale, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cape Cod & Islands, Island Food Pantry, Vineyard Montessori (2), Neighborhood Falmouth, Museums on the Green, Storytime Crafts, Martha's Vineyard Film Society, Martha's Vineyard Non Profit Collaborative, Camp Jabberwocky, Martha's Vineyard Fishermen's Preservation Trust, Edgartown Free Public Library, Martha's Vineyard Cancer Support Group, Inc., League of Women Voters of Martha's Vineyard, Island Autism Group, Inc., and Woods Hole Film Festival.

In addition, the Oak Bluffs School Parent Teacher Organization was provided funding to assist in bringing a special day of training on February 14, 2020 for 78 students in the strings program. Guest musicians Hayden Oliver, traveling professionally with the Musical "Hamilton," and Naomi Steckman, a Boston based cellist for several top symphony orchestras in New England, were a part of the program. Both Mr. Oliver and Ms. Steckman spent the day inspiring young Island musicians together with Rebecca Laird, the Oak Bluffs School music teacher.

The second quarter application deadline date for the next cycle of funding is May 18, 2020, which is also the deadline date for Educational Mini Grants. The Educational Mini Grant application (which is valid for any Martha's Vineyard Public School and for The Martha's Vineyard Public Charter School) is available through the Martha's Vineyard Superintendent's Office at jshinn@mvyops.org or by contacting Patti Leighton, Community Relations Director at pleighton@mvtbank.com.

The Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation is one of the ways that Martha's Vineyard Bank provides philanthropic support for nonprofit and community service organizations operating throughout the local area. The Foundation supports non-profit organizations that enhance the societal and economic development in the communities the Bank serves. More information about the Martha's Vineyard Bank Charitable Foundation is available at mvtbank.com.

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.

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