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Bridgewater Credit Union Awards \$5,000 in Scholarships to Local Students

Bridgewater, Mass. (June 4, 2019) – <u>Bridgewater Credit Union</u>, a division of <u>Merrimack Valley Credit</u> <u>Union</u>, recently awarded five local high school and college students with a total of \$5,000 in scholarships. Each recipient was given \$1,000.

"Our scholarship program is one of the many ways that we give back to those in our community," said John Howard, President and CEO of Merrimack Valley Credit Union. "We selected five local students who are pursuing college to advance their education and to better themselves and their communities. Upon graduation, we hope they choose to put down roots on the South Shore to help the community grow and flourish."

BCU received more than 150 applications from students with roots across the South Shore. Students were scored on their academic performance, school and community involvement and work experience.

The scholarship recipients are:

Kaitlyn Hotte, of New Bedford, Mass., will graduate from Bishop Stang High School and attend the University of Massachusetts – Amherst, majoring in biomedical engineering.

Breanna-Rose Lamb, of Brockton, Mass., currently attends University of Massachusetts – Amherst, majoring in animal science.

Sophia Mancusi, of Bridgewater, Mass., will graduate from Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School and attend the University of Vermont.

Luis Peguero, of Dorchester, Mass., currently attends Suffolk University, majoring in pre-law and political science.

Quimby Wechter, of Halifax, Mass., currently attends the University of Hartford, majoring in physical therapy and health science.

For more information about Merrimack Valley Credit Union and Bridgewater Credit Union, visit www.mvcu.com and www.bridgewatercu.com.

About Merrimack Valley Credit Union

Merrimack Valley Credit Union (MVCU) is a state-chartered community credit union with \$1 billion in assets. MVCU serves anyone who lives, works, volunteers, or attends school in the Merrimack Valley region, and through its Bridgewater Credit Union division, Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk or Plymouth counties. MVCU offers a wide range of savings and loan products to meet the financial needs of its members, and has 10 branch locations in Bridgewater, Fairhaven, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, North Andover, Plymouth, and Quincy Mass., and Plaistow and Seabrook, N.H.



Caption: Bridgewater Credit Union, a division of Merrimack Valley Credit Union, recently awarded Kaitlyn Hotte of New Bedford, Mass. with a \$1,000 scholarship. Pictured above, Hotte (left) receives her scholarship from Jon Bewsher, Fairhaven Branch Sales and Service Manager.



Caption: Bridgewater Credit Union, a division of Merrimack Valley Credit Union, recently awarded Breanna-Rose Lamb of Brockton, Mass. with a \$1,000 scholarship. Pictured above, Lamb (left) receives her scholarship from Wendy Ricardo, Plymouth Teller Operations Supervisor.



Caption: Bridgewater Credit Union, a division of Merrimack Valley Credit Union, recently awarded Sophia Mancusi of Bridgewater, Mass., with a \$1,000 scholarship. Pictured above, Mancusi (right) receives her scholarship from Lucas DeAndrade, Bridgewater Teller Operations Supervisor.



Caption: Bridgewater Credit Union, a division of Merrimack Valley Credit Union, recently awarded Luis Peguero of Dorchester, Mass. with a \$1,000 scholarship. Pictured above, Peguero (right) receives his scholarship from David Ramos, Quincy Branch Sales and Service Manager David Ramos.



Caption: Bridgewater Credit Union, a division of Merrimack Valley Credit Union, recently awarded Quimby Wechter of Halifax, Mass with a \$1,000 scholarship. Pictured above, Wechter (left) receives her scholarship from Joshua Hayes, Bridgewater Teller Operations Supervisor.

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