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## Merrimack Valley Credit Union Raises More Than \$22,000 for Local Nonprofits at 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

MVCU golf tournaments have raised more than \$400,000 in total for local nonprofits

**Lawrence, Mass.** (June 21, 2019) – Merrimack Valley Credit Union (MVCU) announced it raised more than \$22,000 at its 19<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament. Event attendees played golf, entered raffles and enjoyed the beautiful weather on June 10 at the Atkinson Country Club and Resort. All funds raised will benefit the Merrimack Valley Charities Fund, which enables the credit union to support more than 60 local nonprofits with fundraising activities throughout the year.

"It's great when we can spend time with friends, both new and old, while raising money for vital organizations in our community," said John J. Howard, President & CEO of Merrimack Valley Credit Union. "These are the organizations that are out there to support individuals and families in need in our community. We're lucky to play a small role in the meaningful work these organizations do."

MVCU has hosted a golf tournament for the past 18 years, encouraging members of the community to enjoy a day on the links to raise money for local causes. MVCU has raised more than \$400,000 for the Merrimack Valley Charities Fund and local nonprofits since the inaugural tournament, supporting organizations that are dedicated to ending homelessness, feeding the hungry, curing childhood diseases, supporting local veterans and providing scholarships.

Representatives from Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Emmaus, Inc., Family Services of the Merrimack Valley and Home Health VNA/Merrimack Valley Hospice took on advisory roles in this

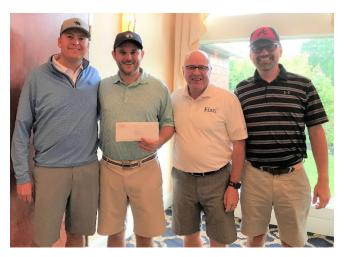
year's tournament. These organizations have benefited from the funds raised in past tournaments and contributed to this year's festivities by serving as sponsors, golfers and volunteers.

The annual golf tournament is just one of the events MVCU organizes each year to raise money for the Merrimack Valley Charities Fund. MVCU teams contribute throughout the year, donating funds they've raised for "dress down" days, bake sales, raffles and snack sales. Members also donate throughout the year at events, such as "Shred-It" day, when members can drop-off personal documents they'd like to shred. Overall, MVCU donates an average of \$130,000 each year to community organizations and nonprofits.

For more information about Merrimack Valley Credit Union, visit <a href="www.mvcu.com">www.mvcu.com</a>.



Caption 1: Merrimack Valley Credit Union raised more than \$22,000 at its 19<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament on June 10 at the Atkinson Country Club and Resort. All funds raised will benefit the Merrimack Valley Charities Fund, which enables the credit union to support more than 60 local nonprofits with fundraising activities throughout the year. Pictured above (L-R), Joe Bean, Liberty Bay Credit Union, John Howard, President & CEO of Merrimack Valley Credit Union, Steve Hile, Liberty Bay Credit Union, and Brad Egan, Merrimack Valley Credit Union, pose for a photo during tournament play.



Caption 2: Merrimack Valley Credit Union raised more than \$22,000 at its 19<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament on June 10 at the Atkinson Country Club and Resort. All funds raised will benefit the Merrimack Valley Charities Fund, which enables the credit union to support more than 60 local nonprofits with fundraising activities throughout the year. Pictured above (L-R), Aaron Melnarik, Elan Financial Services, Tom Floor, Kony DBX, Scott Dickmeyer, Elan Financial Services, and Todd Wascom, Kony DBX, won first place at the tournament.

## **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.