NorState FCU donates more than \$16,000 to local area Food Pantries

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MADAWASKA - "The Maine State Ending Hunger Awareness Campaign raised \$375,923.93 in 2009, a new record, quotes David Rossignol, CEO, NorState FCU.

NorState was second highest in total funds raised in the state for the Ending Hunger campaign. That is something we all can be very proud of.

Here at NorState, we raised over \$15,500 throughout our six branches in 2009 and an additional \$13,300 value was contributed directly to ending hunger organizations throughout local communities thanks to the collection of non-perishable food items."

NorState will be donating a total of \$16,970 to local food collection organizations, thanks in part to Maine Credit Union Leagues Ending Hunger campaign, our member's generosity and continued support as well as our continued commitment to this cause."

The Maine Credit Union League grants additional funds to augment local efforts.

"So the more we raise, the more we get back from the League and the more NorState can contribute to local food pantries," adds Denise Cote, Marketing Director for NorState FCU.

Pictured is Sister Mary Kelley accepting a monetary donation and certificate of appreciation from NorState employee Tammy McMillian for St. Mary's parish in Presque Isle.

Sr. Mary is a representative of the GIFT (Grace Interfaith Food Table) which is a food pantry that provides mostly non-perishable food items to the patrons of Martha & Mary's Soup Kitchen, and on those who call and request assistance. The pantry is located at 24 Industrial Street in Presque Isle. The funds donated by NorState will be utilized to supplement the pantry with fresh items like eggs, fruits and dairy products.

NorState Federal Credit Union is 12,500+ members strong and is located in Madawaska, Eagle Lake, Van Buren, Fort Kent, Ashland and Presque Isle.

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NORSTATE EFFORTS TO END HUNGER IN AROOSTOOK - Pictured from left to right are Tammy McMillian, NorState FCU's Ending Hunger coordinator for the Presque Isle branch, and Sister Mary Kelley, representing the GIFT Grace Interfaith Food Table) Food Pantry in Presque Isle receiving a certificate of appreciate and donation. -contributed photo