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DEVON BANK SUPPORTS AFGHAN REFUGEES WITH DEBIT CARD MATCHING PROGRAM

CHICAGO, IL – Can spare change change lives? That’s the idea behind the Sanctuary Debit Card from Chicago-based Devon Bank. It operates like a typical rounding card, which means it rounds up to the nearest whole dollar on every transaction. But unlike other rounding cards, it will automatically direct the difference to a charity that supports Afghan refugees, a cause that’s become particularly urgent due to the dire situation in their home country.

Additionally, for the remainder of 2021 and through the end of 2022, Devon Bank will make contributions to the same charity with a 100% match of every Sanctuary Cardholder’s rounded funds. “We’re a community bank,” said bank president Thomas Olivieri, “And we take our commitment to serving the whole community, including refugees, very seriously.”

Based in the West Rogers Park neighborhood of the city, Devon Bank serves one of the most diverse communities in Chicago. It’s also known for the diversity of its staff, many of whom are immigrants themselves. And they’re well aware that a community like theirs is a likely destination for Afghan refugees. The bank isn’t just welcoming them with open arms. It’s opening its checkbook, too. Olivieri continued, “They’ve fled their country under unimaginable circumstances in search of a better life. With this card and matching program, we hope to help them find it.”

About Devon Bank

Owned and operated by the Loundy family since 1953, Devon Bank is in its third generation of family leadership as an independent, community bank, with David Loundy serving as its Chairman and CEO. The Bank has been serving the Chicagoland area since 1945. Devon Bank is a full-service bank with a wide range of retail and business deposit products and services, trust, and investment services, as well as a complete range of residential and commercial financing products, including specialized faith-based financing products to meet the religious needs of its customer base. Devon Bank serves a very diverse customer base with its headquarters in a vibrant North Side community. As of today, the Bank’s approximately 145 employees speak at least 28 different languages.

The Bank now serves five geographic communities in Illinois (Chicago, Glenview, Wheeling, and a Loan Center in Bridgeview). In addition, with its faith-based products, it serves communities of interest across the country.

The Bank recently celebrated 75 years, is a member of the Community Bankers Association of Illinois, and is an accredited member of the [Better Business Bureau](#). To learn more about Devon Bank, visit www.DevonBank.com