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## **The Endowment for Butler County Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation and NexTier Bank Partner to Deliver Funds to Local Food Banks**

**BUTLER, PA** May 4, 2020 – The Endowment for Butler County Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation and NexTier Bank announced today a partnership to provide funding to each of the fourteen food banks across Butler County. Together, the organizations will provide \$17,000 in funding. The Endowment Board voted unanimously on April 29 to donate \$500 to each location. Upon hearing of the donation by the Endowment Board, NexTier Bank agreed to contribute an additional \$10,000 to the food banks assisting families in need. The recent COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in layoffs throughout the county and a substantial need for food and essentials for many residents.

“The Endowment for Butler County’s mission is support the residents of our County. The Board felt that the best way to do this in the current environment is to provide funding to insure that families have access to nutritious meals,” said Gail Paserba, chairwoman of the Fund. “We know that families are struggling now. Working with the food banks can help alleviate one concern that families, many of whom are accessing food and other services for the first time in their lives, may have.”

“This is a challenging time for many families in Butler County and NexTier Bank felt that partnering with the Endowment for Butler County was a great way to strengthen and sustain our community as we try to

navigate the new normal,” stated Maria Amoruso, chief marketing officer at NexTier Bank. “This crisis is both a health and a financial crisis for unprecedented numbers of people. We hope this donation will help bridge the gap until businesses are able to re-open and people are able to return to work.”

The 14 food banks include:

- St. Vincent DePaul
- Family Life Ministries Food Pantry
- Salvation Army
- The Lighthouse Foundation
- Southwest Butler Food Cupboard
- Evans City Community Food Cupboard (St Peters Lutheran Church)
- Gleaners Food Cupboard (St. Ferdinand's Church)
- Loaves and Fishes Food Cupboard (Summit UP Church)
- Petroleum Valley Food Cupboard
- Cabot UM Food Bank
- Feed My Sheep Food Cupboard
- Moniteau Area Food Pantry (Concord Presbyterian Church)
- Mount Chestnut Presbyterian Church
- Portersville Food Pantry

#### **About The Endowment of Butler County**

The Endowment for Butler County was established by the late Ben Phillips, with the purpose of supporting Butler County Residents through non-profit organization. Nonprofit organizations can make requests for funds for specific projects that will improve the lives of those in our community. The Endowment of Butler County is a component fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation.

#### **About NexTier Inc. and NexTier Bank**

NexTier Inc. is a \$1.4 billion bank holding company headquartered in Kittanning, PA. NexTier Bank, a community bank established in 1892, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of NexTier, Inc. NexTier Bank provides deposit, lending, and cash management services to individuals and businesses through a network of 29 branches and five loan production offices in Southwestern and Central Pennsylvania, along with a loan production office in Cleveland Ohio. As of March 31, 2020, NexTier Bank had deposits of \$1.1 billion and loans of \$1.2 billion. For more information, visit [www.nextierbank.com](http://www.nextierbank.com). NexTier Bank is Member FDIC.