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FIRST TECH FEDERAL CREDIT UNION CELEBRATES THIRD ANNUAL 'SEASON OF GIVING'

Employees and Members Focus on Community Involvement and Assisting Those in Need

(BEAVERTON, Ore., and MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.) – December 22, 2015 – [First Tech Federal Credit Union](#) employees and members spread magic during the credit union's third annual '[Season of Giving](#)' by giving back to the community and organizations that make a difference.

First Tech's 'Season of Giving' caps off the year of working with organizations that support the credit union's cause focus areas: education, child health and basic human needs. In 2015, First Tech contributed more than \$1.7 million to local communities.

"We're so proud of our employees and members for their dedication and contributions to our communities, not only during the holidays but year-round," said First Tech President and CEO Greg Mitchell. "This season, the First Tech family is paying it forward by donating toys at their local branches and giving airline miles to Make-A-Wish®. These gifts will bring joy and make a tangible difference in the lives of children."

Spreading Cheer Across the Country

Throughout this holiday season, First Tech supported 20 nonprofits and organizations. Donations provided more than 80,000 meals, 1,257 toys, 100 computers and scientific equipment and training for teachers and [much more](#).

The stories below highlight how the donations made an impact in two of First Tech's local communities.

More Than Turkeys with Hopelink

Hopelink, a Redmond, Wash., nonprofit that serves homeless and low-income families, children, seniors and people with disabilities, was able to provide 5,875 Thanksgiving meals through five food banks with help from First Tech.

Hopelink's food banks are intended to supplement a family's groceries but sometimes it serves as their only source. During the winter, it is even harder for families to make ends meet due to increased heating costs. By providing meals, food banks take one thing off a parent's plate during an especially difficult time.

Teachers, Parents and Volunteers Make Butternut Creek School a Model for K-5 STEM Education

Last year's donations are already paying dividends at Butternut Creek Elementary in Aloha, Ore.

In partnership with First Tech, Project Lead The Way (PLTW), a nonprofit which provides K-12 STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) curriculum and resources, rallied the Butternut Creek Elementary community to drastically improve education outcomes at a school that traditionally receives little parental and community support.

With new STEM curriculum and technology resources provided by PLTW, energized volunteers, in turn,

have stepped up to champion the programs and implement them with the school's teachers. These programs encourage interest in engineering and science, and help students develop the skills necessary to succeed in a global economy.

Visit firsttechfed.com/community to learn more about other ways they give back.

About First Tech Federal Credit Union

First Tech Federal Credit Union is an \$8 billion institution headquartered in Mountain View, Calif. It is the nation's premier credit union serving the world's leading technology-oriented companies and their employees, including HP, Microsoft, Agilent, Intel, CISCO, Amazon, Nike, CH2M Hill, Intuit, Google and more. First Tech is recognized as the industry catalyst for delivering effortless banking experiences to its 380,000 members through its 40 branch locations, more than 5,000 CO-OP Branch locations, 30,000 CO-OP Network ATMs and 286,000 ATMs nationwide. First Tech offers a full range of banking services, including traditional banking, mortgage, financial planning and insurance services. For more information, visit firsttechfed.com.

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