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Bank of New Hampshire donates \$25,000 to support a new high performance school at Spaulding Youth Center

(Northfield, NH)

Responding to the growing demand for intensive programs and services for children and youth with autism or other developmental and/or behavioral challenges, Spaulding Youth Center embarked on a Capital Campaign to build a new high-performance school -- a center of learning for special education. The new academic contemporary facility will allow Spaulding, over the next couple of years, to incrementally increase enrollment from 64 to 100 students.

Bank of New Hampshire generously donated \$25,000 to Spaulding's New School Campaign this fall. "Spaulding Youth Center is a true asset not only in the Lakes Region but for all of New Hampshire," stated Mark Primeau, President and CEO for Bank of New Hampshire. "Bank of New Hampshire recognizes the importance of the work they provide and the way in which they help New Hampshire families and communities to improve the futures for deserving children and youth." Enthusiastically commenting on the grant award, Campaign Co-Chair Hali Dearborn stated, "Bank of New Hampshire's \$25,000 grant gives a giant boost to the New School Campaign, putting the \$3.17 million campaign goal within reach. Spaulding is extremely grateful to the Bank of New Hampshire for their support of a facility which will help meet the growing demand for quality special education programs in the state and region."

Spaulding Youth Center leverages professional expertise to help young people with autism or other developmental and/or behavioral challenges learn the academic and life skills needed to be successful in their homes, schools and communities.

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New School Capital Campaign Co-Chair Hali Dearborn (left) and Spaulding Youth Center's CEO and President Susan Calegari (center) are presented with a check from The Bank of New Hampshire by Vice President and Director of Marketing and Public Relations Vickie Routhier (right).