

Old National Donates \$20,000, Establishes Account to Assist With Tornado Recovery Efforts

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- An F4 tornado caused severe damage to Harrisburg, Ill. on Feb. 29, and another string of powerful tornados on March 2 caused devastating damage in several Southern Indiana and Northern Kentucky communities
- Old National is donating \$20,000 to the relief efforts
- Old National has partnered with the Red Cross to open a special disaster relief account

EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 6, 2012 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Old National Bancorp will contribute \$20,000 toward tornado relief efforts- \$10,000 designated to the victims of the February 29 disaster that impacted communities in Southern Illinois and \$10,000 directed to aid in the recovery in Southern Indiana and contiguous counties in Northern Kentucky that were devastated on March 2.

In addition, Old National has partnered with the American Red Cross to establish a disaster relief account for the benefit of those communities impacted by storm damage. Anyone who wishes to support the relief efforts in Southern Illinois, Southern Indiana and Northern Kentucky may do so by visiting any branch of Old National or Indiana Bank & Trust (Old National's newly-acquired partner) to make a donation to the Midwest Tornado Relief efforts.

Old National operates two branches in Harrisburg, Ill., one of which (719 Rollie Moore Drive) was damaged as a result of the February 29 tornado and remains closed.* Old National has associates and clients in several of the Southern Indiana counties that received heavy storm damage during the March 2 severe weather outbreak, including Scott, Washington, Ripley and Jefferson and contiguous Kentucky counties such as Trimble. While no Old National facilities in Southern Indiana or Kentucky received severe damage during the storms, several of our clients were directly impacted.

In addition to financial support, Old National is working with the Red Cross and other agencies to provide ongoing volunteer support for disaster recovery and cleanup efforts. On Saturday, March 3, approximately 30 Old National volunteers gathered in Harrisburg to assist in the clean-up effort.

"As a community bank, responding to catastrophic situations like this is part of our mission and our responsibility to the communities we serve," said Old National President & CEO Bob Jones. "We are heartbroken for the victims and their families, and we are committed to assisting our Southern Illinois, Southern Indiana and Northern Kentucky communities on their path to recovery."

* Clients of the Old National branch at 719 Rollie Moore Drive in Harrisburg are encouraged to visit the Old National branch at 2 E. Locust in Harrisburg, which was not damaged in the storm.

About Old National

Old National Bancorp is the largest financial services holding company headquartered in Indiana and, with \$8.6 billion in assets, ranks among the top 100 banking companies in the United States. Since its founding in Evansville in 1834, Old National has focused on community banking by building long-term, highly valued partnerships with clients in its primary footprint of Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky. In addition to providing extensive services in retail and commercial banking, wealth management, investments and brokerage, Old National also owns Old National Insurance which is one of the top 100 largest agencies in the US and the 10th largest bank-owned insurance agency. For more information and financial data, please visit Investor Relations at **oldnational.com**.

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