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### **ONE WARM COAT**

*A drive to help the homeless and low-income in Des Moines.*

Des Moines— Community State Bank and Hope Ministries are teaming up to provide warm coats this winter.

CSB President Mark Degner comments, *“Being part of a community means sharing and actively participating in the lives of others. We know that Iowa winters can be a difficult time for those in need -- physically, emotionally and financially. The Warm Coat ® drive gives the employees and customers of Community State Bank an opportunity to touch the hearts of individuals who need hope, through a small donation, and make a difference in the communities we serve.”*

The community is invited to bring a clean and slightly used coat to any of their branch offices in Ankeny, Altoona, Des Moines, Johnston, Pleasant Hill and Waukee.

Donated coats from the One Warm Coat ® drive will be distributed through Hope Ministries and given to low-income and homeless, men, women and children who may otherwise go without. *“No one should have to go without a coat during an Iowa winter!”* Says Leon Negen, President/CEO of Hope Ministries, *“This partnership with Community State Bank will provide a convenient avenue for people to help the most vulnerable here in Central Iowa.”*

Hope Ministries is a local privately funded organization dedicated to assisting homeless and hungry men, women and children in Des Moines and Central Iowa.

To learn more about Hope Ministries and the **One Warm Coat**® drive, contact David Burrier, community relations officer, (515) 729-4673 or e-mail at [dburrier@hopeiowa.org](mailto:dburrier@hopeiowa.org) or visit Hope Ministries' website at [www.hopeiowa.org](http://www.hopeiowa.org).

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