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Sound Credit Union Supports Homes First Through Annual Employee Fundraiser

TACOMA, Wash. –[Sound Credit Union](#) (Sound) recently hosted its annual employee charity fundraiser benefitting Homes First, a local nonprofit in creating and maintaining safe, healthy, and affordable homes for people in Thurston County.

Sound team members worked with their business partners and local businesses to collect more than 40 items in support of a fundraising event. Employees contributed by selecting and donating toward their favorite items, with all proceeds directed to support Homes First. The fundraiser raised more than \$17,000 to help the organization advance its mission of expanding access to affordable housing in Thurston County. "We are deeply grateful for this generous donation to Homes First. This contribution will make a meaningful difference in the lives of individuals, who are working hard to rebuild their lives and find stable housing," said Trudy Soucoup, CEO of Homes First. "Support like this allows us to provide not just a home, but access to the comprehensive services and compassionate care that help people transition to a life with hope for a better future. On behalf of everyone we serve, thank you for believing in our mission and investing in our community's members who struggle most to find and retain a home they can afford."

For over 85 years, Sound has been dedicated to strengthening the communities it serves through volunteerism, donations, and partnerships with local nonprofits addressing critical needs such as housing, hunger, and financial education.

"As a financial institution, we see firsthand the struggles people face to find affordable housing," said Jennifer Reed, Vice President of Public Relations at Sound Credit Union. "This fundraiser brought our team members together for a fun and friendly competition that, more importantly, allowed us to give back to Homes First and support their impactful work in our community."

About Sound Credit Union

Sound Credit Union was founded in 1940 and today is one of Washington State's largest credit unions. With 26 full-service branch locations throughout the Puget Sound area, Sound provides their over 176,000 members with authentic and trusted financial support and services. Sound is driven by the purpose of standing with members, employees and the community through all waves of life.

About Homes First

For the past 35 years, Homes First has acquired, renovated, and preserved rental housing for low- and very low-income households. We currently own and manage 180 rental units in 61 properties that house nearly 300 residents. As the cost of housing continues rising, we are committed to keeping those vulnerable to homelessness stably housed.