

UMassFive News

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UMassFive Employees Raise Over \$18,000 for Local Non-Profits



UMassFive employees, along with their family and friends, joined together at Polar Park as Team UMassFive at the UMass Cancer Walk and Run.

Hadley, MA – UMassFive College Federal Credit Union (UMassFive) is proud to announce that its employees have raised over \$18,000 for two local non-profits during the fall of 2023. \$13,677 was raised in support of the UMass Cancer Center via participation in the UMass Cancer Walk and Run, and \$4,800 was raised for the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts via participation in Will Bike 4 Food.

A longstanding and top supporter of the UMass Cancer Walk and Run event for over 20 years, UMassFive employees join together annually as “Team UMassFive” to raise funds for the cause—both personally and in branch locations. In 2023, fundraising efforts included raffle baskets, bake sales, candy sales, and art/jewelry sales. Donations were also sought from Credit Union corporate partners, whose support helps bolster efforts each year.

Including the \$13,677 raised in 2023, Team UMassFive has raised over \$186,600 in donations to the UMass Cancer Center over the lifetime of their participation.



Team UMassFive rode their bicycles 300 miles to support Will Bike 4 Food

Since 2020, UMassFive employees have also jumped on their bicycles in support of Will Bike 4 Food, a major fundraising event for the Food Bank of Western Mass. In 2023, seven riders teamed up to raise \$4,800 in support of their cumulative 300 mile ride. Including the 2023 efforts, Team UMassFive has raised \$17,500 in just four years of participation, which equates to providing 70,332 meals to neighbors in need.

“We are so proud of our employees for supporting local causes that they care about,” said Cait Murray, Community Outreach Manager at UMassFive. “Together, our team can make a more significant impact than if we all participate in events on our own. These organizations make such a big difference in our communities and we are thrilled to support those efforts.”

Anyone who still wishes to donate to the UMass Chan Medical School Cancer Walk in support of team UMassFive may do so through the end of 2023 by visiting <https://p2p.onecause.com/umasscancerwalk/team/team-umassfive>

UMassFive College Federal Credit Union (UMassFive) was established in 1967 and serves the University of Massachusetts, as well as the Five College System and over 50 other local organizations that share their community-based values and vision for a sustainable local economy. As a non-profit financial cooperative, UMassFive’s earnings are returned to their membership in the form of better rates, lower fees, and improved services and banking technology. The Credit Union offers a full range of financial products, including personal and business banking and lending, retirement

planning and investments, and insurance. UMassFive has over 48,000 members, six branches, and assets of over \$673 million. For more information about UMassFive, please visit www.umassfive.coop.

