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Freedom Federal Credit Union and Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation Strengthen Partnership

Freedom Federal Credit Union presents The Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation with its 2018 sponsorship for $15,000. Pictured are: (L to R) Foundation representatives, Ken Ferrara and Donna Tower Lenzner, and Freedom Federal Credit Union representatives, Mike MacPherson, Patrice Ricciardi, Keith Gill, and Michele Young.

Bel Air, MD – The partnership between Freedom Federal Credit Union and Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation continues to grow with the addition of a $15,000 contribution. The support is part of a five year commitment to the Foundation, which began in 2014. The two organizations have a long-standing partnership dating back over 44 years to when Fallston Hospital Credit Union merged with then MATCOM Federal Credit Union, which later became Freedom Federal Credit Union. Since the new partnership began in 2014, Freedom has donated over $50,000.

A portion of the funds from the 2018 sponsorship will be used to support The Patricia D. and M. Scot Kauffman Cancer Center and its Cancer LifeNet program, which offers patients a holistic navigational support system through their cancer journeys.   Remaining sponsorship funds will support The University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health (UMUCH) Heart & Vascular Center, Senator Bob Hooper Hospice House, and the Adam Thompson Memorial Nursing Scholarship at Harford Community College.

Ken Ferrara, Vice President and Executive Director of the Foundation said, "We are grateful for Freedom's commitment to the Foundation. Support that enables us, in part, to fulfill our mission to offer the highest quality healthcare services to Harford County residents. We thank Freedom for its ongoing support, and look forward to our partnership for many years to come."

Mike MacPherson, President and CEO of Freedom, joined the Board of Directors for the Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation in 2017, and has been instrumental in shaping the Credit Union's support for the Foundation. "Freedom is proud of our partnership with the Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation and supports their mission to deliver quality healthcare services to the Harford County community," stated MacPherson.

About Freedom Federal Credit Union

Freedom Federal Credit Union is a community-chartered federal credit union offering consumer financial services to those who live, work, volunteer, worship, attend school, or have family in Harford County. Additionally, Freedom offers a full-line of banking services for all businesses, associations, and other organizations that are based in Harford County. Freedom has been in business since 1953 and has five locations throughout Harford County. To learn more, visit freedomfcu.org

About The Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation

The Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation supports the mission of University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health through developing relationships with local citizens and organizations who wish to take part in the expansion and improvement of healthcare services provided in Harford County. Through the work of The Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation, the community supports their hospital through philanthropic gifts, planned giving, participation in fundraising events and volunteerism.

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