

NORTHFIELD SAVINGS BANK RECEIVES AMERICAN BANKING ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY BANK AWARD

Northfield, Vermont—February 18, 2009 – Northfield Savings Bank (NSB) was recognized for its contributions to the community at this year's American Bankers Association (ABA) National Conference for Community Bankers. The award was presented to NSB for its efforts in the category, *Reaching Out to the Underserved* for its groundbreaking partnership with the Vermont Campaign to End Childhood Hunger, including the formation of the Chittenden and Washington County Hunger Councils.

The ABA selection committee recognized 15 banks from a field of over 100 nominations based on the innovation, creativity and effectiveness of the bank's approach to making a difference in its community.

"Northfield Savings Bank is honored to receive this award in recognition of our ongoing commitment to the communities we serve," said Northfield Savings Bank president Tom Pelletier. "Our partnership with the Campaign to End Childhood Hunger is the latest in a long tradition of service that is an essential part of what NSB is."

Entries were divided into seven categories including helping to achieve homeownership, encouraging volunteerism, fundraising for foundations and local groups, improving financial literacy, reaching out to the underserved, building with Habitat for Humanity and revitalizing your community.

The ABA Community Bank Awards program was established in 2005 to recognize community banks' outstanding charitable achievements.

We proudly donate 10% of profits to Vermont community organizations.