

Bank Bulletin

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In Review:
Shred Day 2021



Despite a cold, soggy Saturday, our Shred Day event was a huge success! According to AMS Store and Shred, we collected 2,400 pounds of paper, securely shredded for our customers and neighbors. Additionally, more than 155 pounds of food and \$150 in donations were collected for our friends at Food For Greater Elgin. Thank you to our event partners and to everyone who showed up to make this a memorable experience!

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A message from Prairie
Community Bank President
Dianna Torman



Nurturing Unity in Our Community

Every year during April, Prairie Community Bank celebrates Community Bank Month. It's a time when we take note of the many ways we contribute to the financial health and prosperity of our customers and neighbors, as well as asking ourselves what more we can do in the future.

It's easy enough to just call ourselves a community bank – but it takes a lot more to actually live up to that designation. So what exactly does it mean to be a “community bank”?

For starters, **it means more than simply being “a bank in your community.”** For example, it requires a commitment on our part to do more to provide support to the communities we serve – not only by aspiring to provide the highest-quality products and services that we can offer, but also by being actively involved in outreach and programs that improve the quality of life for all of our neighbors.

Additionally, **we support our communities by engaging in Relationship Banking.** This means that our staff go out of their way to create a bond with you that extends beyond the teller window. We want to know that the products and services that we provide to you are having a positive and beneficial impact in your life, and we will actively work to find the solutions that go beyond your expectations.

Another way that we embody the Community Bank role is by **reinvesting the funds that we take in back into the communities that we serve.** This is especially true in every home loan and commercial loan that we make because those funds are being used to help customers create their dream homes and fulfill their entrepreneurial aspirations.

Lastly, **being a Community Bank means being engaged with the community.** This is most visible in our support of local non-profit organizations via donations and volunteerism – but it also manifests in how we make ourselves active and available to help our customers and neighbors when they're in need.

Any bank can call itself a Community Bank, but it takes much more to actually live up to what those words embody. It means being a reliable neighbor that's looking out for your best interests – traits that are a part of everything we do at Prairie Community Bank.



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One year and a pandemic later, our Elgin Branch finally ready to celebrate its Grand Opening!

Although Prairie Community Bank's full-service Elgin banking center opened last year, we were unable to properly honor the occasion due to restrictions on social gatherings in the wake of COVID. But good things come to those who wait...

Conveniently located at the intersections of Bowes and McLean across from Fox Bluff Corporate Park and Heritage Crossing Shopping Center, Prairie's Elgin branch offers a complete range of services – from checking and savings accounts to consumer and commercial loans – as well as personalized service and convenient drive-thru teller and ATM access.

Please mark your calendars and watch for future updates for our Elgin Branch Grand (re)Opening, coming in June 2021!



During the second round of participation in the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), Prairie helped secure **93 loans** for local businesses for a total dollar amount of **\$5,442,942.78** – money that was essential in helping local employers keep workers on their payrolls until the worst of the crisis had passed.

Connecting With Our Neighbors: Community Bank Month!



April is Community Bank Month, and it's the perfect opportunity for us to connect with our neighbors and customers. That's why we've planned a number of fun events for the month, including a Local Business Gift Card Give-Away, plus a special Kids Coloring Contest where we'll draw a winner on May 1st. Call, stop by or visit us on Facebook to learn more and find out how to enter, along with information about other activities and promotions that we have planned for the month!

Branch Locations:

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Union • (815) 923-4100

18001 Jefferson Street • Union, IL 60180

Elgin • (847) 310-4477

1000 S. McLean Blvd • Elgin, IL 60123

ATM Locations:

Marengo Community H.S.

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