

United Way  
of York County



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**DEMERS HONORED WITH  
YOUTH SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD**

**JUNE 9, 2017 - KENNEBUNK, ME.** United Way of York County, in partnership with Kennebunk Savings, is pleased to announce that Heidi Lynn Demers of Sanford High School has been awarded the 2017 Youth Spirit of Service Award for her commitment to service and impact in the Sanford/Springvale community.

The Youth Spirit of Service Award is given annually to a young volunteer with high commitment, a large impact on our community, and service beyond others performing similar work. A selection committee found that Demers has demonstrated all of these qualities. “Heidi is able to balance her extracurricular activities with community service and recognizes the value in giving back to her community,” said Jason Ketterick, Community Impact Director for Youth & Volunteers at United Way of York County.

Demers was honored at the 22nd Annual Day of Caring Kickoff breakfast on June 7th. A senior at Sanford High School and member of the National Honor Society, Demers has volunteered with many organizations, including Sanford Young Life, Key Club, Sanford-Springvale YMCA, York County Shelter, and Stuff the Bus. In recognition of her service, the Kennebunk Savings Bank Foundation awarded \$250 to Demers’ charity of choice, Strategies for a Stronger Sanford’s Backpack Program, and she received \$250 for educational expenses. Brad Paige, President & CEO of Kennebunk Savings, presented the Spirit of Service Award to Demers at Kickoff.

This year’s Day of Caring included an estimated 1,100 volunteers who worked on 80 projects all over York County. Donors and sponsorships contributed \$12,000 to make it possible for this day of service to take place. With the value of volunteer hours plus donated goods and sponsorships, the total value of this day across York County was \$154,000!

**About United Way of York County**

United Way of York County strengthens community conditions by bringing people and resources together to effect long-lasting changes that improve lives. United Way of York County makes every dollar you give do more. To learn more about United Way of York County and be a part of the change you want to see in the world, visit [www.buildcommunity.org](http://www.buildcommunity.org) or call 207-985-3359 to learn how you can Give, Advocate or Volunteer.

## **About Kennebunk Savings**

Kennebunk Savings is an independent and mutual community bank that employs more than 300 people. With 18 branches throughout York County, Maine and Seacoast New Hampshire, the Bank's branch network includes five New Hampshire offices. Kennebunk Savings, with over \$1 billion in assets, contributes 10 percent of its annual earnings each year to local charitable organizations through its Community Promise program.



*Pictured in photo (left to right): Heidi Lynn Demers, Youth Spirit of Service Award Winner, and Brad Paige, Kennebunk Savings CEO.*

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