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PenFed Credit Union Announces \$100,000 in Donations to Papillion and Omaha Charities in 2018

Papillion and Omaha Service Centers Kick Off Effort with Check Presentation

PAPILLION and OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 11, 2017 – PenFed Credit Union President and CEO James Schenck today presented donation checks totaling \$20,000 to two local charities: Offutt Chiefs Group and Moving Veterans Forward, as part of PenFed’s commitment to donate \$100,000 to Papillion and Omaha charities throughout 2018.



PenFed Credit Union President and CEO James Schenck (second in from the left) presents a check to Moving Veterans Forward Founder Ron Hernandez (right of Mr. Schenck in dark tie); they are joined by PenFed Papillion and Omaha employees and Moving Veterans Forward volunteers

“Part of what makes credit unions special is our commitment to our communities,” said PenFed Credit Union President and CEO James Schenck. “It is a pleasure to be here today to show our support and gratitude to these local charities. On behalf of the PenFed Papillion and Omaha employees, and our executive team, we want to thank you for all you do in your communities and the individuals you serve.”



PenCredit Union President and CEO James Schenck (third in from the left) and employees of PenFed's Papillion and Omaha service centers present a check to Offutt Chief's Group (Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Joshua R. McGee pictured third in from right)

These charitable donations mark the beginning of PenFed Credit Union's quarterly commitment to contribute to local organizations in Papillion and Omaha totaling \$100,000 in 2018. Each quarter, PenFed's Papillion and Omaha Service Center employees will select local charities that align with the core values of the credit union—to help our members *Do Better* and to give back to our communities.

"I want to thank all of the employees at PenFed for their generous show of support. I am very grateful and humbled by this donation, as this contribution will fund 30% of our yearly budget for 2018," said Moving Veterans Forward Founder Ron Hernandez. "So far in 2017, we have moved 206 vets into a new home. In the last 6 ½ years, we have successfully found housing for 938 veterans. We are committed to bringing people together who want to help a vet, and help bring vets together who are in need of help."

"Someone once said that whatever we possess becomes of double value when we share it with others. Simply put, faithful supporters like PenFed make it possible for the Offutt Chief's Group (OCG) to enhance the morale and esprit de corps to all personnel at Offutt Air Force Base. Thank you for your generous financial donation to the OCG," said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Joshua R. McGee.

Since opening all three locations in Papillion and Omaha, PenFed has worked with a variety of charities in the area, including United Way of the Midlands, American Legion Post 339 for the homeless veterans food bank; Top III Association on Offutt Air Force Base; Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home, Ronald McDonald House, and Salvation Army.

The Omaha Service Center opened its doors in 1992 with 20 employees. The Papillion Service Center opened in 2012 with the same number of employees. In August 2016, PenFed selected Papillion for its first branch location in Nebraska, and currently employs four full-time employees. Today, all three Tysons, Va.-based credit union locations, combined, employ more than 510 individuals, locally. The service center serves over 1.6 million PenFed members worldwide.

About PenFed Credit Union

Established in 1935 as the War Department Credit Union, PenFed Credit Union is America's

second-largest federal credit union, serving over 1.6 million members worldwide with more than \$23 billion in assets. Our long-standing mission has been to provide superior financial services in a cost-effective manner, while being responsive to members' needs. PenFed Credit Union offers market-leading mortgages, automobile loans, credit cards, student loans, checking, certificates, and a wide range of other financial services with members' interests always in mind. PenFed Credit Union serves a diverse population, and no military service is required to join. PenFed Credit Union offers many paths to membership, including numerous employee groups and association affiliations. PenFed Credit Union is federally insured by the NCUA and is an equal housing lender. *To learn more about PenFed Credit Union, visit PenFed.org, like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us @PenFed on [Twitter](#). Interested in working for PenFed? Check us out on [LinkedIn](#). We are proud to be an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.*

About Offutt Chiefs Group

The Offutt Chiefs Group (OCG) functions as a social and professional organization established to enhance the morale, esprit de corps, and cooperation among enlisted personnel at Offutt Air Force Base. The OCG is comprised of Active, Reserve, and Guard Chief Master Sergeants, and selectees from across Offutt AFB. Membership is also open to E-9s, and selectees, in our sister services, to include Active, Reserve and Guard. The OCG will provide a forum for its members to meet, share personal experiences and expertise, and assist one another. It may also function as an added channel of communication within the chain of command, between the commander, and the enlisted members at Offutt AFB. OCG is not connected to the United States Air Force, Department of Defense, or any United States Government agency. The contents are not necessarily the official views of, nor endorsed by, the United States Air Force, Department of Defense, nor any United States Government agency.

About Moving Veterans Forward

Ron Hernandez, from Omaha, Nebraska, founded moving Veterans Forward. The mission of the organization is to help homeless veterans in Iowa and Nebraska find housing. The main goal is to give these veterans the boost that they need to turn themselves around to become self-sufficient. Moving Veterans Forward is 100% volunteer supported. All monetary donations and home furnishings, such as beds, couches, and appliances, collected by the organization come from local, community support. *To learn more about Moving Veterans Forward, visit myfne.org.*

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