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**Webster Bank, United Way of Western Connecticut
Team Up for Newtown Volunteer Day Sept. 7**

DANBURY, Conn. (September 4, 2013) — The United Way of Western Connecticut (UWWC) and Webster Bank will be holding the following event:

WHAT: More than 75 Webster Bank volunteers will participate in a Webster Bank Newtown Volunteer Day on Saturday, Sept. 7, to help the youth of Newtown continue to heal by teaming up with UWWC to do a Day of Caring at [Cullens Youth Association](#), a 20-acre non-profit wooded facility where Newtown youth connect with the outdoors. Volunteers will clean out camp sites and fire circles and an amphitheater, as well as an area around the pond to allow children easier access to fishing. Volunteers will also paint a garage and tractor shed, build a privacy fence around a generator, and lower a working counter at a pavilion.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 7, from 9:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will break for lunch from 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. with speakers from Webster, UWWC, and Cullens at 1:15 p.m. If it rains Sept. 7, the event will be at the same time on Sunday, Sept. 8. If it rains Sept. 8, the event will be rescheduled.

WHERE: Cullens Youth Association, 72 Taunton Lake Rd, Newtown, Conn. Please note: Media can park on-site, but on-site parking is very limited. Volunteers are carpooling in from nearby parking lots.

ON-SITE CONTACT: Kathy Luria, senior vice president, community affairs, Webster Bank, cell: 203-206-8295

BACKGROUND: This project was conceived after meetings with Webster employees who live in Newtown in the wake of the Dec. 14 tragedy. It was decided that Webster's volunteer efforts would be directed to [Cullens Youth Association](#), a non-profit wooded facility that is used by the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Newtown Youth Services, church groups, and others. Newtown resident Tracy Van Buskirk, vice president, business banking, is on the board of directors at Cullens. Newtown resident Melanie Raslan, vice president, marketing analytics, is the Newtown Volunteer Day project chair. Our thanks go out to this project's generous sponsors: Kenecticut True Value Hardware in Oakville, Chatfield True Value Hardware in Southbury, Crystal Rock in Watertown, Bagelman of Danbury and Ridgefield, and Jarjura's Farm market in Waterbury.

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United Way of Western Connecticut advances the common good, creating opportunities for a better life for all by focusing on the three key building blocks of education, income and health. United Way creates long lasting community change by addressing the underlying causes of problems that prevent progress in these areas. LIVE UNITED is a call to action for everyone to be a part of the change. For more information about United Way of Western Connecticut, please visit: www.uwwesternct.org.

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