

Unity National Bank Pledges \$100,000 Towards the Construction of New Tipp City Stadium

TIPP CITY, Ohio, Sept. 13, 2017 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – The Tipp Pride Association Board of Directors announced today that the organization has received a \$100,000 sponsorship from Unity National Bank for the construction of Tipp City's new community stadium. The generous gift will lead ongoing fundraising to support stadium construction.



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"Tipp pride can be felt everywhere in this community. You feel it as you walk down Main Street, attend school functions and participate in community events. Tipp City is a wonderful place to live, work and play. We are honored and proud to be part of it," states Lisa McGraw, Vice President, Commercial Cash Management for Unity Bank.

In recognition of the sizable donation, Members of the Tipp Pride Association (TPA) state that they intend to place Unity National Bank's logo prominently on the scoreboard of the new stadium.

Mashell Stith, president of TPA shared, "We are so thrilled about Unity

National Bank stepping up to support Tipp City in this way. Words cannot describe the energy this creates for our entire community. It was so great to hear the Tippecanoe student section chant 'Thank You, Thank You' during the check presentation on the field Friday night."

The new Tipp City stadium will be constructed at the location of the current stadium within City Park. Replacement of the field, stands, buildings and scoreboard are estimated to cost approximately 5.6 million dollars. Tipp Pride Association is seeking private funding for this project.

"We are extremely grateful, humbled and honored by Unity National Bank's generous gift for the new football stadium," said J.D. Foust, Athletic Director for Tipp City Schools. "Their love and passion for Tipp City is truly incredible, and this gift will impact not only Tipp City's athletic programs but also our great community, well into the future. I believe that the vision shown by community leaders such as Unity National Bank and our school administration and board leadership will ensure continued success for all of our athletic and community programs well into the future."

Brett Baumeister, President of Unity National Bank, agrees, "Unity National Bank isn't just located in your town. We are your neighbors, and we care about helping the entire community thrive and prosper. Our commitment to you goes beyond financial services; you can count on Unity to support the people and organizations working to build a stronger community."

Tipp Pride Association intends to highlight significant donors and sponsors at each home football game this season. "There is no better place to provide recognition to donors than at the very same venue we are working to provide upgrades," states Scott George, vice-president of TPA, "It was easy to observe Friday night the packed stands in both the home and visitor bleachers while hundreds of spectators stood at the fence trying to enjoy the game."

The new stadium will increase available seating for home, visitor, and band to 3,500.

With a successful fundraising campaign, the stadium project could begin construction at the end of the 2017 football season.

ABOUT UNITY NATIONAL BANK:

With locations in Piqua, Tipp City and Troy, Unity National Bank provides customers with a full array of personal banking, business banking, and trust and investment products and services. Unity National Bank, founded in 1884, is one of the 11 Ohio community banks and two specialty finance companies in the Park National Family of Community Banks that make up The Park National Corporation (NYSE:PRK). Park had \$7.8 billion in total assets as of June 30, 2017. For more information, visit <https://unitynationalbk.com/>.

ABOUT TIPP PRIDE ASSOCIATION:

Tipp Pride Association is committed to building a community stadium that supports our schools and is a source of pride for all of Tipp City. Our Mission is to raise private funds to build a new stadium for the community by the community. For more information, please visit <https://tippride.com/>.