First Niagara Bank grant supports ‘Kids in Neighborhood’ program

WEST HAVEN (Sept. 14, 2011) – First Niagara Bank has granted $5,000 to support the Positive Youth Development, Kids in the Neighborhood After-School program at the West Haven Community House.

Karen Crane, Manager, Public Relations and Corporate Communications at the bank out of its New Haven office said, “First Niagara believes in supporting organizations in our community that benefit youth and education.

“Thank you for allowing us to support your good work.”

Kids in the Neighborhood (KIN) is an after-school enrichment program that provides elementary school children in West Haven with a safe, constructive place to be in the hours after school at selected schools. Participating children are engaged in fun activities that facilitate their social growth and encourage healthy, positive lifestyles.

Community House Executive Director Patty Stevens said, “It is heartening to know that First Niagara Bank recognizes the need for programs such as ours, which keeps youth safe and productively engaged with caring adults in the hours after school.”

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