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## **Gardiner FCU Presents \$24,000 to Area Agencies, to Help End Hunger**

Gardiner Federal Credit Union holds a number of fund raising activities, throughout the year, to benefit the Ending Hunger Campaign. These activities include, but are not limited to, their annual yard sale, spaghetti supper, Thanksgiving pie sale, 50/50 raffles, and their cash calendar (on sale now).

On May 17, the Gardiner Federal Credit Union staff and board members presented a total of \$24,173.71 to nine area food pantries and organizations which provide meals to neighbors in need, throughout the area. This is an increase of more than \$4,600 over last year.

The Credit Union staff credits their members, for their generosity and participation in their many fund raising activities. "This would not be possible without the help and support of so many Credit Union and community members. 15% of Maine households experience food insecurities. We are committed to help make certain that those in need do not go hungry and appreciate the generous support of our members."

Anyone wishing to support GFCU's current Ending Hunger Campaign fundraiser may purchase cash calendars, for \$10 each, throughout June & July. \$2,300 will be awarded to winners, one \$100 winner each weekday, throughout the month of August. Calendars are available at Gardiner Federal Credit Union and in the July Kennebec Valley Chamber Newsletter.



**Caption: Representatives from organizations, receiving Ending Hunger funds.**

**Seated, left to right:**

Scott - Food for Thought Backpack Program, Lynda - Spectrum Generations Meals on Wheels, John - Bread of Life, Janice - Janice's Community Food Pantry, Cathy - Chrysalis Place

**Standing, left to right:**

Patti - Chrysalis Place, Fred - S. Gardiner Baptist Church Food Pantry, Ingrid - Gardiner Boys & Girls Club, Susan & Esther - Faith Food Pantry, Ted, Food for Thought Backpack Program. (Hallowell Food Bank not pictured)