

After taking part in an area-wide penny drive that concluded in January, Wilson Bank & Trust recently presented Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee with a contribution of just over \$8,000.

The total bank donation included money from jars that were displayed at all WB&T branches; change collected by employees and customers on their own; and a \$2,500 donation match offered by bank management. Between early November and the end of January, each of Wilson Bank's 25 full-service offices in Wilson, DeKalb, Davidson, Rutherford, Smith, Sumner and Trousdale counties collected change and provided collection cans for individuals to take home and return.

As a whole, the change drive coordinated by Ms. Cheap, WB&T and other partners raised more than \$47,000 for Second Harvest to help the hungry in Middle Tennessee.

"Many people in our community continue to struggle to put food on the table," said Jaynee Day, president and CEO of Second Harvest. "Creative partnerships like the Penny Drive help Second Harvest and our partner agencies provide hope and sustenance to those in need and we are grateful for all of our partners in our continued fight against hunger."

The change drive was one of several special charitable programs undertaken at Wilson Bank & Trust in celebration of the bank's 25th anniversary last year. Others included 'Operation Giveback,' a giving program through which employees donated items for community help centers, and 'Christmas On Us,' a radio-based campaign that involved WB&T providing gift cards to help families with their Christmas shopping.

Wilson Bank & Trust ([www.wilsonbank.com](http://www.wilsonbank.com)), a member of the FDIC and an Equal Housing Lender, is an independent, locally owned bank established in 1987 to provide personal and professional service in a hometown setting. One of the top banks in the South in stability, products, technology, growth and earnings, WB&T currently operates 25 full-service offices in seven Middle Tennessee counties, offering a full range of financial products that include

secondary market mortgage loans and online banking services.

Organized in 1978, Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee is a private, not-for-profit, tax-exempt organization. Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee's mission is to feed hungry people and work to solve hunger issues in our community. Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee is one of the largest and most comprehensive of over 200 food banks and food distribution centers nationwide and also a member of Feeding America - The Nation's Food Bank Network. Second Harvest distributes food and other products to approximately 400 nonprofit partner agencies in 46 counties in Middle and West Tennessee. Our partners include food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, childcare facilities, senior centers, group homes, and youth enrichment programs. For more information on Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee and its programs, please visit [secondharvestmidtn.org](http://secondharvestmidtn.org).