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First Bank Helps Warm Up the Area with Blankets

First Bank employees set record with fundraising for EnergyCare.

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[First Bank Hazelwood](#) employees are paying it forward and helping those in need this winter throughout the St. Louis area.

The employees recently donated almost \$5,000 and 200 new electric blankets to EnergyCare, a non-profit organization located in St. Louis. According to a company statement, this is a record for money raised electric blankets donated.

"I cannot thank our employees enough for their generous donations," said Ed Furman, First Bank Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer, in a statement.

Furman organized the employee effort with [First Bank, Inc.](#), matching employee funds.

"Their spirited, record-setting contributions will help keep many people warm this winter," he said.

Since 1999, First Bank employees have donated a total of 1,369 blankets valued at more than \$37,000.

[EnergyCare](#) provides energy-related services and information for the low-income elderly, ill, disabled and families with young children in St. Louis City and St. Louis County.



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