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**CORNERSTONE SUPPORTS NIAGARA COUNTY HOSPICE HOUSE**

LOCKPORT, N.Y. (*July 20, 2010*) – Cornerstone Community Federal Credit Union finalized their \$50,000 commitment this month to the Niagara Hospice House. Over the past five years, Cornerstone has donated \$10,000 per year to the building through the “Wings of Serenity” fundraising campaign. The facility is located on Sunset Drive in the town of Lockport and opened in 2007. It houses eighteen suites for both long- and short-term medical care.

“This gift reflects Cornerstone’s core values and its dedication to the residents of Niagara County,” said Cornerstone President and CEO Ann M. Brittin. “Niagara Hospice House offers services to families who may not be able to receive home-based care and we are proud to help provide care to those in need. “

One wing of Niagara Hospice House holds eight suites designed for patients needing residential hospice care. Another wing houses ten suites for patients needing short-term medical monitoring and symptom management. Cornerstone’s donation was specifically used to build the inpatient family gathering room.

“As one of the lead donors to the campaign to build Niagara Hospice House, Cornerstone Community Federal Credit Union has demonstrated their commitment to quality care in our community,” said Niagara Hospice President & CEO, John Lomeo. “When the doors to Hospice House opened in June 2007, the twenty-year dream of early Niagara County hospice organizers came true. We are very thankful to Cornerstone Community Federal Credit Union and all the donors to the campaign for helping realize this dream, and for recognizing the value that Niagara Hospice House brings to all Niagara County residents.”

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Individuals and organizations interested in learning more about Niagara Hospice house and how they can help are encouraged to call 716-439-4417 or visit [www.niagarahospice.org](http://www.niagarahospice.org) for more information.

Established in 1957 as Unit No. 1 Federal Credit Union, Cornerstone CFCU is a community chartered, federally insured credit union. Cornerstone has grown to become the largest credit union based in Western New York with more than 46,000 members and assets in excess of \$300 million. Those who live, work, volunteer, attend school or worship within Niagara County are eligible for membership under Cornerstone's charter. For additional information, call 716.434.2290 or visit [CornerstoneCommunityFCU.org](http://CornerstoneCommunityFCU.org). Current locations include 6485 S. Transit Rd. in Lockport, 55 Stevens St. in Lockport, 5 State St. in Middleport and 107 Main St. in North Tonawanda.



Caption: Niagara Hospice House Inpatient Family Gathering Room. Pictured from left to right: Cornerstone CFCU Chairman of the Board, David M. Nemi, Niagara Hospice President and CEO, John Lomeo and Cornerstone CFCU President and CEO, Ann M. Brittin.