



Katahdin Trust Sponsors New Ventures Maine's "Business Basics"

Portland Class Supports Budding Entrepreneurs

Portland, Maine (April 10, 2019) –Katahdin Trust, a community bank serving northern Maine and the greater Bangor and Portland regions recently sponsored New Ventures Maine's Business Basics Class in Portland. The three part course covers the basics of creating a business plan, marketing, cash planning and more.

"Providing education on financial literacy topics has always been a priority for Katahdin Trust," Krista Putnam, Senior Vice President of Marketing. "We are proud to sponsor an effort that helps young entrepreneurs fulfill their dreams of owning their own business."

In addition to the Bank's monetary donation, Vicki Bessette, Vice President, Commercial Services Officer in Scarborough was a guest speaker at one class. She shared with students the importance of developing a relationship with their financial institution and what information a loan officer needs in order to make a decision about approving a loan.

"We are so grateful to Katahdin Trust for their generous sponsorship of our Business Basics class," said Gigi Guyton, New Ventures Maine Regional Manager, Microbusiness Specialist in Portland. It is so important for budding entrepreneurs to assess the feasibility, viability, and desirability of a business idea before launching. We are in our 40th year of providing tuition-free business classes and workshops for all Maine people, thanks to supportive sponsorships like this one from Katahdin Trust."



Photo caption: Katahdin Trust recently sponsored New Venture Maine's three part Business Basics Class in Portland. Vicki Bessette, a Katahdin Trust Vice President, Commercial Services Officer in Scarborough was a guest speaker and shared with students the importance of developing a relationship with their financial institution. Participating in the check presentation (l to r): Pamela Goodwin and Jordan Ramsey, students; Gigi Guyton, New Ventures Maine Regional Manager, Microbusiness Specialist in Portland; Shannon Lindsay, student; Bessette; and Cory Pulfer, Rena Pulfer, and Ruby Wallace-Ewing, students.

About New Ventures Maine

New Ventures Maine creates an empowering environment for Maine people to define and achieve their career, financial, and small business goals. Through tuition-free classes and individual coaching, we help people find good jobs, start or return to college, launch small businesses, manage their money and build their assets. For more information visit newventuresmaine.org.

About Katahdin Trust

Katahdin Trust, founded in 1918 and named one of the 2018 Best Places to Work in Maine, is a community bank with more than \$800 million in assets and 180 employees. The Bank offers financial services to individuals and businesses from 16 full-service branches in Northern Maine and the greater Bangor and Portland Regions with a suite of digital banking solutions. Katahdin Bankshares Corp., parent company of Katahdin Trust Company, stock

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