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Connex Donates More Than \$700 to Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services

Funds were collected through Coins-for-Change charitable initiative



(left to right) Kerry Perrotta, Guilford Branch Manager with Will Kneerim, IRIS Employment and Education Services Director

Guilford, Conn (May 25, 2018) - [Connex Credit Union](#) recently donated more than \$700 to [Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services \(IRIS\)](#) in support of the organization's mission. These funds were raised through *Coins-for-Change*, Connex's philanthropic program that contributes more than \$13,000 annually to local charitable organizations as part of the [ConnexCares](#) initiative.



Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services (IRIS) is Guilford-based organization that helps resettle refugees and other immigrants in Connecticut towns, and assists them on their road to self-sufficiency by providing support during their transition to life in the United States.

“We're thrilled that Connex made IRIS a Coins-for-Change recipient! We help refugees, the most deserving and carefully vetted immigrants in history, get a new start in Connecticut,” said, Will Kneerim, Employment and Education Services Director, IRIS. “A big thank-you goes out to Connex and all their Guilford customers who contributed. IRIS will use the funds to furnish apartments, buy school uniforms for kids, and provide used bicycles for our clients who've escaped violence in their home countries.”

To learn more about IRIS, or to donate, please visit <http://www.irisct.org/>.

With the Coins-for-Change program, Connex charges a 5 percent fee to members, and a 7 percent fee to non-members, to use its coin-cashing machines. Each fiscal quarter, 100 percent of this money is donated to deserving organizations in the local community.

Local nonprofit or charitable organizations interested in participating in the “Coins-for-Change” program, are encouraged to contact Roquita Johnson at Connex Credit Union, at 1-800-CR-UNION or rjohnson@connexcu.org.

About ConnexCares:

ConnexCares is Connex Credit Union’s charitable and philanthropic program. The mission through ConnexCares is to promote financial literacy, well-being and understanding to our members and the greater communities Connex serves.

About Connex Credit Union:

As the Unbank, Connex Credit Union is one of Connecticut’s largest credit unions serving more than 50,000 members at seven branches throughout greater New Haven. Headquartered in North Haven, Connecticut, Connex is a full-service member-owned credit union that offers members a full-range of financial services and products. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works, attends school or worships in New Haven, Hartford, Middlesex, or Fairfield Counties. For more information, please call 1-800-CR-UNION or visit connexcu.org.

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