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Ridgewood Savings Bank and Providence House create power play for Islanders' last home game.

[Ridgewood, NY - April 7, 2017] The last game of the Islanders' season may have had little impact on the playoff picture, but for those who attended from Providence House it was a great way to feel connected to the community. For the final event of the New York Islanders' 2016/2017 season, Ridgewood Savings Bank donated 20 seats to the Brooklyn-based charity, Providence House.

Providence House was founded in 1979 and serves women who are homeless, escaping abuse or were recently released from prison. The organization helps residents obtain permanent housing, get an education and develop job skills while providing daycare for children and access to a registered nurse.

"Providence House is an important part of our community, so when the opportunity for us to send residents to an Islanders game came up, we were more than happy to donate the tickets," said Anthonie Marshall, Branch Manager at Ridgewood Savings Bank. "Ridgewood has always made giving back a priority," she continued. "It's great to be a part of an organization that thinks that way."

"Ridgewood has always been a great supporter of ours," said Scott Stepp, Development Director of Providence House, "but the enthusiasm level was at an all-time high when we mentioned this donation to our residents," he said, followed by a laugh. "Hockey has really taken off in our area and they were all really excited to attend a professional game."

Ridgewood Savings Bank started a partnership with the Islanders in 2015, donating over \$40,000 to local charities (like Prospect Park Alliance and Providence House). In 2016, the bank donated \$10 for every save made by an Islanders goalie, totaling nearly \$24,000.

About Providence House

Founded in 1979, Providence House is a non-profit organization that provides women and children in crisis with shelter, food and security and helps them enroll in education or job training programs, search for employment, obtain medical services and find a permanent place to live. The organization also focuses on getting homeless women back on their feet.

About Ridgewood Savings Bank

Ridgewood Savings Bank is the largest mutual savings bank in New York State, with over \$5 billion in assets. With 33 branches in the New York area, Ridgewood Savings Bank proudly serves its communities today as it did when they first opened their doors in 1921, with continued focus always on their customers.

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