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Queens bank scores hat trick with New York Islanders and two local charities.

Ridgewood Savings Bank sponsors “Save with Ridgewood” to support Gateway Youth Outreach and IMPACCT Brooklyn with every save made by the New York Islanders goalies.

Ridgewood, N.Y., October 6, 2015 – Ridgewood Savings Bank is teaming up with the New York Islanders to benefit two local charities. Ridgewood Savings Bank will be donating \$10 for every save made by the Islanders’ goalies during the 2015-16 regular season. The campaign, called “Save with Ridgewood,” will tally up the number of saves made by the Islanders goalies over the course of their 82 regular season games. At the end of the season, the total amount will be shared between Gateway Youth Outreach and IMPACCT Brooklyn, two charities selected by Ridgewood to help in their missions.

“We work with many worthy causes in the 35 communities we serve, however these particular charities were chosen specifically for their impact in each of the areas they serve in Nassau and Brooklyn,” said Christopher F. Smith, Ridgewood Savings Bank’s Vice President & CRA Officer.

Gateway Youth Outreach is based in Elmont, NY serving the needs of Nassau County communities that help young people and families with counseling, summer programs, and after school homework assistance programs. IMPACCT Brooklyn creates and preserves affordable housing, and prevents displacement to enhance the economic, racial and cultural diversity of Central Brooklyn. “Additionally each charity promotes financial literacy,” said Smith, “an endeavor that we promote in all our communities.”

Pat Boyle, GYO Executive Director, stated “We could not be more pleased with this opportunity to share and promote our cause of helping kids and families, as well as being associated with a caring bank as Ridgewood Savings Bank, and being part of the New York Islanders.” “Having Ridgewood Savings Bank recognize the importance of housing in our communities says that what we are doing is meaningful. We are very excited to receive the support and recognition of Ridgewood Savings Bank as we work to advance our mission in the communities we serve.” said Deborah Howard, Executive Director, IMPACCT Brooklyn.

The Islanders website (www.newyorkislanders.com/RSBsave) will track the number of saves

throughout the season and will display related content as well. Peter Boger, Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer, Ridgewood Savings Bank, commented, “This is an exciting time for our bank — this program highlights our commitment to our communities, emphasizes that we want to help people save for their future, and being associated with a great franchise like the Islanders makes it that much more fun for everyone.” Ridgewood Savings Bank will present the checks to the two charities during a game at the end of the season.

“The New York Islanders are proud to partner with Ridgewood Savings Bank to champion such worthy causes,” said Michael Zavodsky, Executive Vice President of Global Partnerships for Barclays Center. “IMPACCT Brooklyn and Gateway Youth Outreach share our goal of strengthening our surrounding communities.”

About Ridgewood Savings Bank

Founded in 1921, Ridgewood Savings Bank is the largest mutual savings bank in New York State, with over \$5 billion dollars in assets. With 35 branches in the New York area, Ridgewood Savings Bank continues to serve its community as it did in 1921, with their continued focus always on their customers.

About IMPACCT Brooklyn

Now in its 51st year, IMPACCT Brooklyn (formerly Pratt Area Community Council) is one of Brooklyn's premier community development corporations serving Central Brooklyn. The organization works hand-in-hand with low and moderate-income community members and stakeholders to preserve, develop and market affordable housing. They aim to create homeownership opportunities, protect tenant rights, combat predatory lending practices and prevent home-loss. In addition, they focus on promoting commercial revitalization, strengthening small local businesses and improving the financial wellbeing of community residents through education and counseling.

About GYO

Gateway Youth Outreach Inc. (GYO) is a non-profit, voluntary and community-based organization that provides many services to the youth in the Sewanhaka Central High School District and the communities around it. For ten years GYO was part of the Long Island YMCA. GYO enhances the community's efforts to provide an environment where adolescents can develop self-awareness while engaged in productive and healthy pursuits. Caring professionals provide services and counseling to help implement GYO's youth development goals.

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