

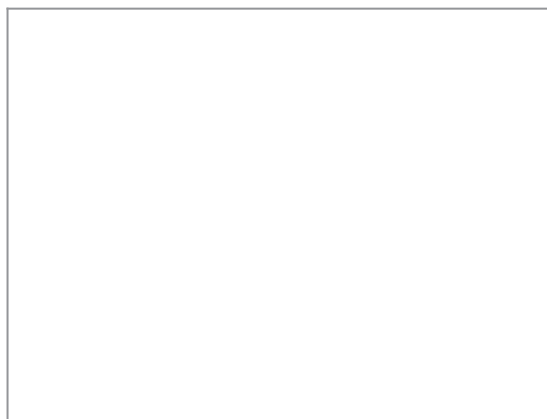
Photo Release -- Flushing Bank Supports the Purchase of a New Refrigerated Van for Island Harvest

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LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., May 20, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Company") (Nasdaq:FFIC), the parent holding company for Flushing Bank (the "Bank"), announced today that Flushing Bank, along with several other local banks, has provided a donation to support the purchase of a new refrigerated van for Island Harvest – Long Island's largest hunger relief organization. Island Harvest serves as the bridge between those who have surplus food and those who need it.

A photo accompanying this release is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=18833>

John R. Buran, President and CEO of the Company, stated: "This van will enable Island Harvest to continue to provide access to much needed food to more than 300,000 residents including over 110,000 children. We are very pleased to know that our support has allowed Island Harvest to re-direct precious funds toward their food collection and distribution programs. As a New York based community bank we recognize the importance of our role in the community and are aware that the demand for food assistance continues to remain high."



Island Harvest's new van

About Flushing Financial Corporation

Flushing Financial Corporation (Nasdaq:FFIC), with \$4.5 billion in consolidated assets, is the holding company for Flushing Bank, a New York State chartered commercial bank insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Bank serves consumers, businesses, and public entities by offering a full complement of deposit, loan, and cash management services through its 17 banking offices located in Queens, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Nassau County. The Bank also operates an online banking division, iGObanking.com®, which offers competitively priced deposit products to consumers nationwide.

Additional information on the Bank and Flushing Financial Corporation may be obtained by visiting the Company's website at <http://www.flushingbank.com>.

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December 31, 2012 and in other documents filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time. Forward-looking statements may be identified by terms such as "may", "will", "should", "could", "expects", "plans", "intends", "anticipates", "believes", "estimates", "predicts", "forecasts", "potential" or "continue" or similar terms or the negative of these terms. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. The Company has no obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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