



Pictured L/R:

Lois Seymour, AVP, Community Banking Officer Bellingham Branch; Nicole Day, President of the Clara Macy School PTO and Co-Chair of the Playground Committee; Dr. Mary Ambler, Benjamin Franklin Bank Director; Robin Ewing, Benjamin Franklin Bank Charitable Foundation and Tricia Gonthier, Co-Chair Playground Committee.

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BANK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION DONATES \$5,000.00 TO CLARA MACY SCHOOL'S PLAYGROUND FUND

Franklin, MA - Nicole Day, President of the Clara Macy School PTO and Co-Chair of the Playground Committee is pleased to accept a donation of \$5,000.00 from Benjamin Franklin Bank Charitable Foundation member Robin Ewing and Benjamin Franklin Bank Director, Dr. Mary Ambler.

The playground located at the Clara Macy Elementary School is being built for the benefit of the school and the Bellingham community. The Clara Macy PTO's goal was to raise \$50,000.00 to build Phase 1 and the Foundation's donation helped them reach that goal. Playground equipment has been ordered and the new playground will be built in November.

According to Thomas Venables, Chairman of the Board of Benjamin Franklin Bank Charitable Foundation, "we are thrilled to help out such a valuable project. We feel that the efforts of the Clara Macy PTO are a tremendous asset to the Bellingham community. The Foundation takes pride in promoting education, health, human services and community development and provides funding support to charitable causes and community development activities."

The Benjamin Franklin Bank Charitable Foundation, founded in 2005, serves the communities of Bellingham, Blackstone, Foxboro, Franklin, Hopedale, Medfield, Medway, Mendon, Milford, Millis, Newton, Norfolk, Waltham and Wrentham. For information about the Benjamin Franklin Bank Charitable Foundation, please contact Mariane E. Broadhurst at (508) 520-8003 or by email at: mbroadhurst@benfranklinbank.com.