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First United Security Bank Joins Forces with Lifelines

THOMASVILLE, AL – Lifelines Counseling Services, a United Way agency, recently appointed Mel Ann Sullivan, Director of Marketing and Communications/CRA Officer, for First United Security Bank, to serve on its board.

One of Lifelines Counseling Services programs includes Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Mobile (CCCS). CCCS provides consumers in southwest Alabama with assistance in managing personal finances. Preventive assistance is provided for those wanting to avoid serious financial problems. Rehabilitative assistance is provided for those experiencing financial problems. Their services include budget counseling/financial literacy, credit/debit management, housing counseling, bankruptcy counseling, and consumer education workshops.

“Because of all the ways that Lifelines serves the residents of our area, and especially the consumer credit counseling services along with the affiliation with United Way, it’s a privilege to serve on this board,” Sullivan said. “I look forward to becoming more involved in supporting any efforts to make these services convenient for the residents in Clarke and Washington Counties, as well as outlying areas.”

“Lifelines is excited to have Mel Ann Sullivan joining our board of directors. Her knowledge of community financials trends and issues is an asset to our agency and the client’s we serve,” said Chandra Brown, executive director for Lifelines. “Moving forward, it is our goal to work with the financial institutions in Washington and Clarke counties to provide a more localized approach to services.”

Lifelines Counseling Services, established in 1958, is a multi-service United Way agency which houses the Family Counseling Center, Consumer Credit Counseling Service, Rape Crisis Center and Helpline. The agency also has a contract to provide therapeutic services at the Child Advocacy Center and a contract with United Way of Southwest Alabama to provide United Way 211 to the community. In 2010, the agency assisted over 40,000 community members in Southwest Alabama.

Established in 1952, First United Security Bank serves through its 19 offices in Brent, Butler, Calera, Centreville, Coffeerville, Columbiana, Fulton, Gilbertown, Grove Hill, Harpersville, Jackson, McCalla, Thomasville, Tuscaloosa, and Woodstock. The bank holds more than \$675 million in assets, is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and is an Equal Housing Lender. For more information, visit the bank’s website at: www.firstusbank.com. Blog at firstusbank-usbi.blogspot.com. Or write to: First United Security Bank, P.O. Box 249, Thomasville, AL 36784.