# **Annual Report**

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# A Message from Our CEO and Chairman

It has been said that adversity doesn't build character; it reveals it. And what was revealed about our employees and the Bank throughout 2020 makes us incredibly proud.

As our community dealt with the impact of a global pandemic, our employees went above and beyond to ensure customers received the service and assistance they needed. Day-in and day-out, the Bank found a way to get the job done in a constantly changing environment. This is true from front-line branch services to borrower services, which included originating record mortgage volumes and critically needed Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans. Behind the scenes, employees in our corporate office quickly shifted to remote work—adjusting processes and communicating in ways most of us never experienced or imagined. We can't say enough about the commitment and expertise of our employees throughout 2020.

The results speak for themselves. Despite many challenges presented throughout the year, the Bank posted earnings of \$8.9 million while significantly increasing reserves against loan losses and contributing \$750,000 to our charitable foundation. We were also honored to be recognized by Newsweek as The Best Small Bank in Connecticut.

We are entering 2021 wary but optimistic. We're still months away from "the end" of the pandemic, and will no doubt continue to feel the impact of human and economic devastation wreaked by COVID-19. However, we're in a strong financial position, and our loan, deposit and investment businesses are all performing well and have attractive future prospects. We're looking forward to welcoming the public into our recently relocated Brookfield and Plaza South branches, and we're eager to open our 15th branch in Bridgeport–expected to take place by mid-year.

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From a governance standpoint, we're pleased to welcome Carrie Amos to the Board of Directors.

Carrie is the president of Jericho Partnership, as well as the founder and president of Total Wellness, LLC.

A Newtown resident, she has significant experience, bringing a depth and breadth of knowledge along with a commitment to community that is a great fit for our Board.

We are sorry to report that our Corporator Andy McGeever passed away during 2020. Andy was a great friend to the Bank and made numerous important contributions to its success, including making the introductions that led to the establishment of our Oxford branch.

More recently in January 2021, our former Trustee and Corporator Emeritus Gene Rubino passed away. Gene's decades of service to the Bank, his vision and understanding of what a community bank should be, and his personal warmth and generous spirit helped shape who we are today.

We will miss both Gene and Andy very much.

We know how difficult 2020 was for so many in our community. We hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy, and we hope that 2021 will be a better year in all respects. Thank you for your trust in our Bank and for your continued support.





Kenneth L. Weinstein President & CEO

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Chairman

**Pictured left to right:** Kenneth L. Weinstein and John F. Trentacosta

# A Note of Gratitude

We've always known our team was pretty special, and this past year just reminded us of that fact. Embracing a new normal, Newtown Savings Bank employees came together to redefine "business as usual"—adapting to new ways of working with minimal disruptions. To our employees: Thank you for all of your hard work, as well as your dedication to the Bank, our customers, and our community!

# Making a Difference Together

In a year like no other, volunteerism and generosity of spirit hasn't slowed down at Newtown Savings Bank. Here are some of the ways our team came together to make a difference in the community:

## **Annual Workplace United Way Campaign**

Each year, our employees generously participate in our United Way campaign. This year was no exception, with employees pledging more than \$15,000 to United Way programs benefitting the communities we serve.

# **Drive & Drop Food Drives**

Our team–from branch employees to Board members–committed more than 500 volunteer hours to our two Drive & Drop food drives, and the Bank contributed more than \$20,000 to local food banks in our branch towns for added financial support.

# Feeding our Neighbors Community Challenge

Newtown Savings Bank, along with two other community banks, came together to help the Danbury Food Collaborative—donating \$15,000 each as part of the Feeding Our Neighbors Community Challenge.

## Helping Our Heroes | NSBCare Day

This year, employees volunteered for an outdoor project at Homes for the Brave—a nonprofit providing housing and services for veterans. It's a small way to give back to the people who gave us their all!

# NSBCare by the Numbers

Organizations Served 215
Employee Volunteers 246
Total Volunteer Hours 5,079

(October 2019-December 2020)



#### 2020 Donations

**Organizations Supported** 

195

**Total Donations** 

\$271,000



## Help our community stay socially distant but emotionally close:

Reach out to those who may feel isolated. Donate blood. Volunteer your time or resources to charity. Support local businesses. And remember to thank our front-line heroes and essential workers!

# 165 Years of Supporting the Community

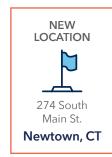
Since 1855, Newtown Savings Bank has been a pillar of the communities we serve. While 2020 came with no shortage of challenges for everyone, there have always been challenges that we have met and overcome throughout our long history—from the Civil War to COVID-19 and a lot of things in between.

We're here for you like we have been for the past 165 years— even if we have to do things a little differently for now.

# On the Map

We've got new locations to better serve our customers!







#### The Power of Local When It Matters Most

When local businesses needed help the most, Newtown Savings Bank was ready to step up and answer the call. Because, to us, these are more than just accounts—these businesses are what make our community great. We're neighbors helping neighbors in uncertain times. That's the Power of Local when it matters most.



I'm not just a number. At Newtown Savings Bank, it's like banking with my friends."

Shiran Owner of The Knowlton Bridgeport, CT

# Working Together, Apart

2020 redefined "business as usual" and our team quickly shifted gears to ensure customers continued to receive the service they've come to expect from Newtown Savings Bank.

Throughout the year, our bank branch locations and Customer Service Center adjusted to ever-changing conditions—with staff remaining focused on helping customers and maintaining safety protocols. Most of our non-branch employees were able to transition to remote work, and we've all enjoyed meeting each other's children and pets on Zoom meetings!

# Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loans

In April, our Small Business Lending team quickly stepped up to help local business owners navigate the first rounds of PPP funding—with many employees working around the clock to ensure that funds were secured.



\$95.5+ Million in loans funded

# **Jobs for New England Recovery Grants Program**

As part of our participation in the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Boston's 2020 Jobs for New England Recovery Grants Program, we were able to select 10 of our qualified business customers to each receive a \$10,000 grant for a total of \$100,000.

## **Mortgage Support**

We're pleased that, through our participation with federal and state hardship programs, we have been able to provide emergency assistance to some of our eligible mortgage borrowers who have been struggling during the COVID-19 crisis.

## **COVID-19 Relief and Support**

The Bank donated more than \$50,000 to nonprofits directly supporting those impacted by the pandemic—including Danbury Hospital, and the Valley Community COVID-19 and Building Neighborhoods Together Crisis Funds to name a few. We also donated masks to those working on the frontlines.

# 2020 Highlights

It's been quite a year! Despite the unique challenges that we have faced, the Bank managed to have a remarkably successful year. We're very happy with what we've been able to accomplish in spite of the pandemic, including:

# **Residential Mortgages**

Residential mortgage numbers were astounding this year, with the Bank almost doubling the number of mortgages originated from the previous year. More than 10% of those loans went to first-time homebuyers, while others traded up or refinanced their loans to save on expenses. We were able to improve our customers' experience with our impressive average turnaround time of 34 days, made possible in part by our new point-of-sale technology. We even managed to have a few socially distant closings in parking lots!

## Newtown Investment Solutions (NIS)\*

The NIS team helped clients through the uncertainty of the pandemic with meetings and informational webinars via Zoom. Through their efforts, 2020 was another record year, with assets growing from \$213 million in 2019 to more than \$229 million.

\*Please see back cover for Newtown Investment Solutions' full disclosure information

## **Digital Banking**

With more time spent online, it's important to have a great digital banking experience. This year, we updated our Online and Mobile Banking-bringing together a new look and enhanced features. You can now add your debit card to your mobile wallet for quick and secure payments.

# Introducing Zelle® - Fast. Safe. Easy.

With Zelle you can send money to family and friends directly in the Newtown Savings Bank mobile app or Online Banking.

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Pictured left to right:
NSBCare volunteers Nancy Kuhn, Carleen Weir & Tom Portera



#### **Best Small Bank in Connecticut**

Ending the year on a high note, Newsweek named Newtown Savings Bank the Best Small Bank in Connecticut in their first-ever ranking of America's Best Banks 2021.

Rankings were determined by 55 separate factors—including product offerings, fees and interest rates, online and mobile banking satisfaction and customer service ratings.

We are truly honored to have been named Newsweek's Best Small Bank in Connecticut. We find ourselves constantly inspired by the hard work and dedication of our employees and their commitment to meeting customers' needs during this very difficult time. This recognition means the world to us!

# **Staying Connected**

The Customer Service Center was prepared to handle the anticipated increase in call and chat volume with support from branch staff members who were able to assist remotely. Overall, calls were up by more than 16% and chat conversations went up by 60%!

## **Thank You Program**

Introduced in November for the holiday season, our Thank You Program provided benefits to customers and local businesses. This program included special discounts and offers just for Newtown Savings Bank customers, while also promoting the businesses who participated.



# **Paying It Forward**

Our local business customer made masks for the Bank, and we paid it forward donating to causes of their choice.

# **Statement of Condition**

In Thousands of Dollars

Assets	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Cash & Deposits in Other Banks	294,971	43,293
Investment Securities	170,515	154,456
Loans		
Mortgage		
Residential	458,171	544,245
Homeowner Construction	22,303	21,392
Builder Spec/Commercial Construction	29,136	23,597
Commercial	257,147	247,970
Held for Sale	7,426	4,569
Total Mortgage Loans	\$ 774,183	\$ 841,773
Home Equity	76,904	90,090
Consumer - Personal & Other	21,251	26,539
Commercial & Industrial	120,310	85,606
Small Business Lending	58,720	35,684
Total Loans & Leases	\$ 1,051,368	\$ 1,079,692
Reserve for Loan & Lease Losses	(20,770)	(10,156)
Total Loans & Leases, net of reserves	\$ 1,030,598	\$ 1,069,536
Banking Premises & Equipment	20,635	20,317
Other Real Estate Owned	391	267
Other Assets	56,046	46,217
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,573,156	\$ 1,334,086
Liabilities & Capital		
Deposits	1,264,054	1,031,818
FHLB Advances & Other Borrowings	162,890	169,390
Other Liabilities	27,313	22,450
Capital	118,899	110,428
TOTAL LIABILITIES & CAPITAL	\$ 1,573,156	\$ 1,334,086
Selected Ratios		
Leverage Ratio (Tier 1)	7.78%	8.47%
Risk Based Capital Ratio (Tier 1)	14.04%	12.20%
Total Risk Based Capital Ratio	15.30%	13.30%

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#### Newtown

Main Office 32 Church Hill Rd. 203.426.2563

#### Newtown

Plaza South 274 South Main St. 203.270.7402

#### **Bethel**

Dolan Plaza 211 Greenwood Ave. 203.744.3233

## **Bethel**

68 Stony Hill Rd. 203.778.1110

#### Bridgeport

Shopper's Fair Plaza 104 Boston Ave. Opening in 2021

#### Brookfield

Candlewood Plaza 14 Candlewood Lake Rd. 203.775.4164

#### **Danbury**

Danbury Executive Tower 30 Main St. 203.205.0080

#### Monroe

Century Plaza 535 Monroe Tpke. 203.459.9985

#### Monroe

Clock Tower Square 477 Main St. 203.268.6395

#### Oxford

Quarry Walk 280 Oxford Rd. 203.463.1270

#### Shelton

Ruby Tuesday Plaza 815 Bridgeport Ave. 203.944.0382

#### Shelton

White Hills Shopping Center 194 Leavenworth Rd. 203.944.9655

#### Southbury

By the Southbury Green 685 Main St. South 203.262.0400

#### Trumbull

Trumbull Center 926 White Plains Rd. 203.445.8103

# Woodbury

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