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## News Release

### **Ameriprise Financial Awards \$5,000 Grant to Anne-Marie House**

*Grant will transitional housing program for local homeless children and families*

**Bedford, N.H. – July 20, 2011** – Ameriprise Financial recently awarded a \$5,000 grant to Anne-Marie House, a Hudson based non-profit organization. Funding will be used to support a transitional housing program for families who are struggling to meet their basic needs, including securing adequate food and shelter. The program fills an important gap by assisting families who are often ineligible for emergency housing services because of the ages of the parents or the children.

Anne-Marie House was recommended for the grant by Bob Bonfiglio, an Ameriprise financial advisor in Bedford. “Ameriprise Financial is dedicated to supporting organizations, like Anne-Marie House, that share our goal of improving lives and building strong communities,” explained Bonfiglio. “I’m proud to play a role in supporting this worthwhile cause.”

“Anne-Marie House is honored to receive a grant from Ameriprise Financial and sincerely thanks the company for its support of local charitable organizations,” said Laurie Skibba, director of Anne-Marie House. “Bob is a long-time dedicated friend and supporter of our organization and we are grateful for his efforts in securing this critical funding for the children and families that call Anne-Marie House a ‘home for now.’”

Ameriprise Financial awards grants three times annually under the company’s three funding platforms: Meeting Basic Needs, Supporting Community Vitality and Volunteer Driven Causes.

The grant received by Anne-Marie House is one of 71 grants totaling more than \$1.1 million which were awarded to organizations across the country during the company's recent funding cycle.

#### **About Anne-Marie House**

The mission of Anne-Marie House is to support the needs of families experiencing homelessness as they work to achieve sustainable income, housing and transportation. The organization does this by providing safe and secure transitional housing, wholesome meals, transportation, continuing education and other support services, such as parenting and financial literacy programs.

#### **About Ameriprise Financial Community Relations**

Ameriprise Financial is dedicated to utilizing the firm's resources and talents to improve the lives of individuals and build strong communities. Through grantmaking, volunteerism and employee and advisor gift matching programs, the company supports a diverse group of over 5,000 nonprofits across the country.

#### **About Ameriprise Financial**

Ameriprise Financial, Inc., is a diversified financial services company serving the comprehensive financial planning needs of the mass affluent and affluent. For more information, visit [ameriprise.com](http://ameriprise.com).

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