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## Credit union donates \$10K to marathon team

Waltham-based RTN Federal Credit Union has donated \$10,000 to the Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH) Marathon Team - a group of employees and friends who run for the hospital in support of life-giving breakthroughs. The BWH team brings together both first-time runners and experienced marathoners to represent and raise funds for BWH while participating in one of the most elite road races in the world.

The RTN donation is made up of more than \$5,000 raised by employees from Medical Area Federal Credit Union (MAFCU) prior to MAFCU's merger with RTN in 2012. After the Boston Marathon bombing in April 2013, the funds were earmarked to support and honor staff from BWH

who were first responders, with RTN making a match contribution.

The credit union's longstanding relationship with BWH goes back to 1952 when Medical Area Federal Credit Union (MAFCU), now part of RTN Federal Credit Union, was founded by employees of the Boston Lying-In Hospital, one of BWH's predecessor institutions. Brigham and Women's Hospital is one of the credit union's largest employer groups and is a cornerstone of the community served by RTN.

"As the credit union for BWH and other hospitals that were on the forefront of treating those wounded at the Marathon bombing, RTN is pleased to make the presentation in support of the Brigham and Women's Hospital Marathon Team," says

Richard E. Wright, treasurer and CEO of RTN Federal Credit Union. "We are proud to serve as the credit union for the hospital's employees and look forward to continuing our collaborative partnership."

"We appreciate this generous gift from RTN, which helps support ongoing advances in life-giving breakthroughs for the Brigham, including medical training, research and patient care," said Eric Gallick, associate clinical director and medical director of emergency preparedness at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and a member of the BWH team.

Founded in 1945, RTN is one of the largest credit unions in Massachusetts, with \$800 million in assets, 50,000 members and 19 branches, according to the organization.



From left to right are Caroline Duncan, Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH) development officer; Sarita Ledani, RTN assistant vice president of business development; Christine Collins, executive director, BWH Connection; Nicole James, RTN senior vice president of retail services; Richard Wright, RTN CEO and treasurer; Britany Hill, BWH employee and 2014 team member; Kristen Fouts, BWH employee and 2014 team member; Christina Novak, BWH employee and 2014 team member; and Eric Gallick, associate clinical director and medical director of emergency preparedness and 2014 team member. PHOTO BY KEELY IR