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5-Star Washington Financial Bank Puts the Community in Community Banking

Washington, PA - December 2021: BauerFinancial, Inc., the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm, congratulates **Washington Financial Bank, Washington, Pennsylvania** on its 129th consecutive recommended (**5-Star or 4-Star**) rating. To earn Bauer's recommendation, the bank must excel under a rigorous, independent analysis of its financial condition. And Washington Financial Bank has done so continuously for 32 years.

How do they continue to perform so well during these difficult times? We asked Karen Dorway, president of BauerFinancial, for her insight. "Washington Financial Bank, and other community banks like it, are uniquely positioned to help local people and businesses when times are unpredictable," she reflected. "As an integral part of the community, community bankers have the intimate knowledge of exactly how given circumstances may affect neighbors and friends. That knowledge, combined with the ability to think, act and react locally, means that decisions can be made faster and implemented in the best manner possible for the community."

Washington Financial Bank's personal interest in the people and communities it serves has been on full display since its inception in 1899. Washington Financial Bank is a source of strength and stability for the community, and has been for 123 years. No matter what circumstances they are facing, Washington Financial Bank's friendly and caring staff is always ready to lend a hand, whether at the branch, by phone or on their website: www.washfin.bank.

Washington Financial Bank: "Your 5-Star Community Bank"



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