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The Milford Bank to Sponsor a Collection Drive for the Rape Crisis Center of Milford, Inc.

The Milford Bank and the Rape Crisis Center of Milford, Inc. are teaming up to sponsor a drive to collect items which will be used for Victim Support Packages. Donated items may be dropped off at any office of The Milford Bank from September 1st until September 30th.

Items needed for the Victim Support Packages are light weight pants, sweat pants, elastic-waist shorts, sweat shirts, t-shirts, white low cut socks and underwear all in sizes large and extra-large. Also, flip flops, comb/brush set, toothbrush/toothpaste set, water, Gatorade, individual tissue packs, small hand sanitizer, and individual snacks like granola bars or crackers. No nut products please.

When a victim goes to the hospital after an assault, they can participate in an evidence collection procedure which requires them to leave their clothing. Victim Support Packages are brought by an advocate of the center so the victim can leave the hospital with dignity. This serves as a stepping stone to healthy recovery.

The mission of the Rape Crisis Center of Milford, Inc. serving Ansonia, Derby, Milford, Orange, Seymour, Shelton, and West Haven is to eliminate violence and sexual assault through education and prevention and to empower victims to regain control of their lives.

The Milford Bank was founded in 1872 as a mutual institution and currently has total assets of approximately \$380 million. The Bank has seven full service offices in Milford and Stratford, Connecticut and a loan production office in New Haven, Connecticut.