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FIRSTRUST BANK ANNOUNCES FINALISTS FOR 4th ANNUAL “PHILLY’S BUSINESS FIRST AWARDS”

Grand Prize Winner Receives \$20,000 to Split with a Charity of Its Choice

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (Dec. 2, 2015) – Firsttrust Bank has announced the 10 finalists to compete in the *Philly’s Business First Awards*. Finalists were chosen from a strong pool of nominated businesses. The business awarded the grand prize wins \$20,000 to be split with the charity of its choice. Now in its fourth year, the *Philly’s Business First Awards* were created to shine a spotlight on local businesses making a positive difference and embody the spirit of community, innovation, family and excellence.

“The nominations we received exceeded our expectations,” said Richard J. Green, CEO and Board Chairman of Firsttrust Bank. “The commitment of all the nominees toward community service, honesty and customer service, among many other values, is truly remarkable.”

Last year, more than 650 businesses were nominated for the *Philly’s Business First Awards*. The top winner, Elbow Lane Day Camp of Wayne, Penn., shared its grand prize of \$15,000 with two charities, Project Hero and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

The voting phase began on Nov. 30, 2015 and continues through Dec. 31, 2015. Members of the public are invited to vote daily at www.bizfirstawards.com; each vote cast counts as an entry to win an Apple Watch®. Following the close of the public voting phase, winners will be selected Jan. 1 – 5, 2016. Winners of the *Philly’s Business First Awards* will be announced on or around Jan. 6, 2016.

Finalists:

Acme Corrugated Box Co., Inc. – Hatboro, Penn.
AnswerNet – Willow Grove, Penn.
BQ Basement Systems – Erdenheim, Penn.
D’Angelo Bros., Inc. – Philadelphia, Penn.
Interstate Fleets, Inc. – Colmar, Penn.
Joseph Levine & Sons, Inc. – Feasterville-Trevose, Penn.
La Colombe Torrefaction, Inc. – Philadelphia, Penn.
Russell Roofing – Oreland, Penn.
Seravalli, Inc. – Philadelphia, Penn.
Weisman Children’s Rehabilitation Hospital – Marlton, N.J.

Prizes will include:

- **Grand Prize (1):**
 - \$20,000 prize to split with a charity of their choice
 - One ad featuring their business in a local newspaper
 - Feature name in Firsttrust promotional and public relations activities
 - Free financial consultation for their business
 - Mention on Firsttrust website

- **Runners Up (3):**
 - \$5,000 to share with a charity of their choice
 - Free financial consultation for their business
 - Mention on Firsttrust website

- **Four Sweepstakes Prizes:**
 - Each sweepstakes winner will receive one Apple Watch®

About Firsttrust Bank

Founded in 1934 and currently in its third generation of family ownership, Firsttrust is a privately-held bank with assets of \$2.6 billion. Safe and Sound for more than 80 years, Firsttrust is a Small Business Administration (SBA) preferred lender, and provides both retail and commercial services through its 18 banking offices located in Bucks, Burlington, Lehigh, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties. Continuing to meet the needs of its customers, Firsttrust offers a wide variety of deposit products, consumer and business loan options, residential and commercial real estate mortgages and cash-management products. For more information, visit *firsttrust.com* or call 800-220-BANK. Member FDIC.

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