



## **Beat Parkinson's Today, Inc. Awarded \$9,365 Community Grant from American Eagle Financial Credit Union**

*Supporting quality of life for individuals living with Parkinson's disease*

**EAST HARTFORD, CONN. – [January 27, 2026]** – Beat Parkinson's Today, Inc. has been selected as one of three nonprofits to receive a \$9,365 community grant from American Eagle Financial Credit Union's (American Eagle) *Cash Back to the Community* program. Beat Parkinson's Today is a program that was created to improve the quality of life of people with Parkinson's by performing exercises that are functional to everyday living.

Funding from American Eagle will support Beat Parkinson's Today's programs, which focus on personalized, high-intensity interval training designed to improve everyday function for people living with Parkinson's disease. In addition to physical fitness, the organization offers education and emotional and social support to help participants feel connected and empowered.

"With the support of American Eagle Financial Credit Union, we are expanding our reach across Connecticut by launching new satellite locations that provide our evidence-based exercise program for people living with Parkinson's. By reducing financial barriers, this funding creates greater access to movement, connection, and ongoing support within the local Parkinson's community," said Krista Slot, Communications Director of Beat Parkinson's Today.

"American Eagle's Cash Back to the Community program allows our members to directly support organizations making a meaningful difference close to home," said **Howard Brady, President & CEO of American Eagle Financial Credit Union**. "Beat Parkinson's Today is improving quality of life for individuals living with Parkinson's disease through movement, education, and connection, and we're proud to support their important work in our community."

Through the *Cash Back to the Community* program, American Eagle donates one percent of its credit and debit card interchange income—the fees collected from card transactions—to three nonprofits each quarter, as voted on by members and the public. Since 2020, the program has distributed more than \$631,000 to local organizations.

To learn more about Beat Parkinson's Today, visit [www.beatpdtoday.com](http://www.beatpdtoday.com).

**Get ready to make your voice heard! Nominations for the next round of *Cash Back to the Community* runs from January 19 through February 8. American Eagle members and the public are invited to vote for local organizations making a difference in our communities between March 9 - 22. Winners will be announced early April. Learn more at [AmericanEagle.org/Learn/About-AEFCU/Community-Involvement/cashbacktothecommunity](http://AmericanEagle.org/Learn/About-AEFCU/Community-Involvement/cashbacktothecommunity).**

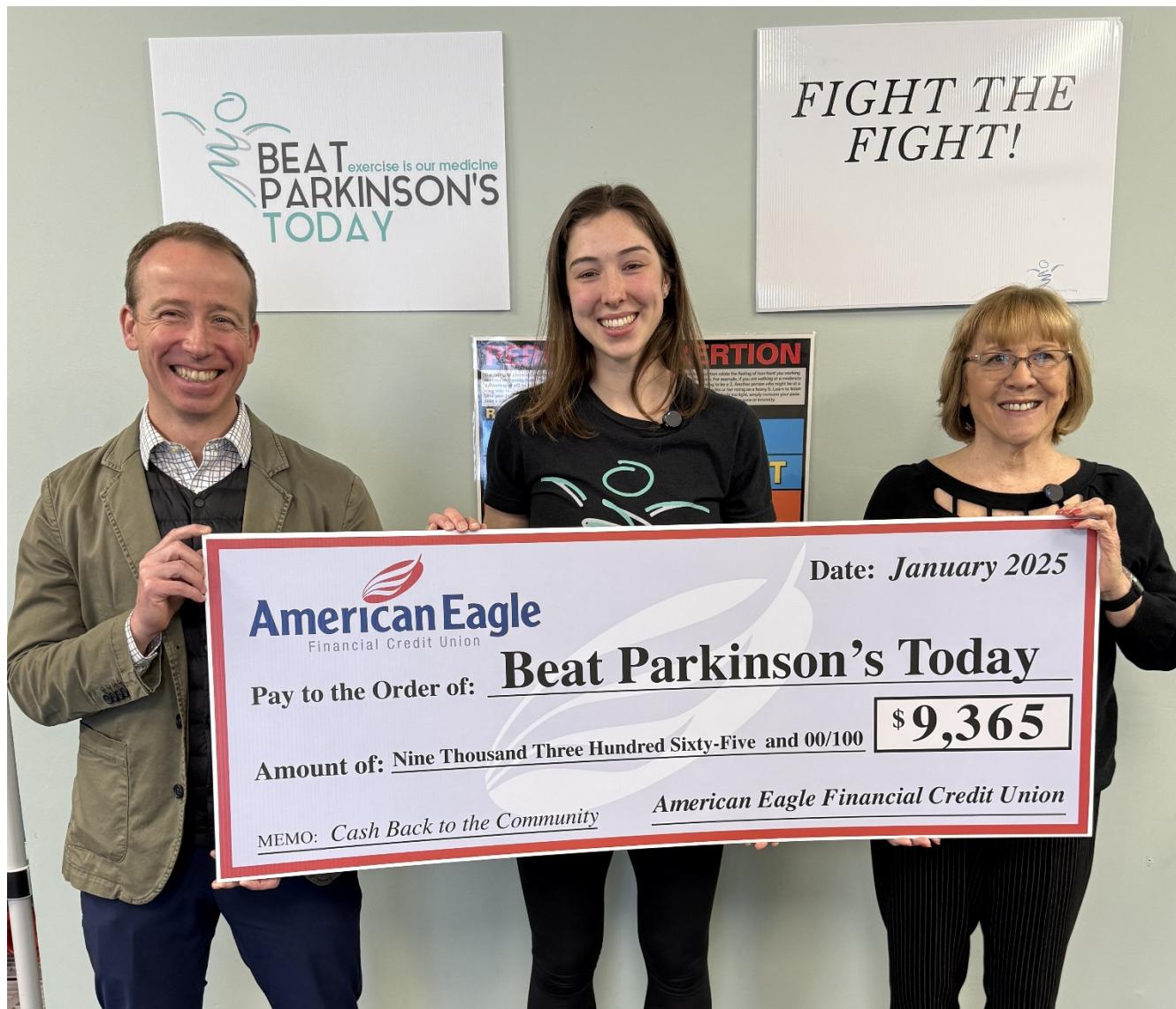
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billion in assets, and offers banking services to persons who live, work, worship, or attend school in, and businesses and other legal entities located in Hartford County, Middlesex County, Tolland County, and New Haven County, Connecticut or Hampden County, Massachusetts; or employees, independent contractors or self-employed persons who work regularly in the healthcare industry or have retired from the healthcare industry in the state of Connecticut and also included are spouses of persons who died while within the field of membership of this credit union, volunteers in the community, employees of this credit union, organizations of such persons and members of the immediate family or household of such persons. For more information about American Eagle Financial Credit Union Visit [americaneagle.org](http://americaneagle.org).

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