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LAFCU BREAKS GROUND FOR ST. JOHNS BRANCH OFFICE

Full-service facility to open early 2015

ST. JOHNS, Mich. – Area government, business and labor leaders helped LAFCU break ground for its new St. Johns branch office today at 2317 S. U.S. Highway Business 127, also known as Old U.S. Highway 27, between Townsend Road and Parks Road. The branch is expected to open during the first quarter of 2015.

Speakers at the groundbreaking ceremony were:

- Harold Foster, LAFCU Board of Directors president
- Robin Frucci, LAFCU CEO
- Jim Ostrowski, Bingham Township supervisor

“This new full-service, high-tech branch office reflects our commitment to meet the financial service needs of our members in the St. Johns area,” Frucci said. “It also provides the opportunity for others in the area who wish to become members of our credit union to access LAFCU services even more conveniently.”

Anyone who lives, works, worships or attends school in LAFCU’s 11-county service area, including Clinton County, is eligible to join.

The new facility will be approximately 1,200 square feet and will have two member



This is a rendering of the new LAFCU full-service branch that is expected to open in St. Johns in early 2015.



Turning the dirt at the groundbreaking ceremony for the new LAFCU branch office in St. Johns are members of LAFCU’s board of directors, Bingham Township Supervisor Jim Ostrowski, LAFCU CEO Robin Frucci and LAFCU Executive Vice President Pat Spyke. Work has already begun on the new facility, shown in background. The existing 24-hour ATM, also pictured, continues to be available for use during construction. Pictured from left are Spyke, Tommie Culpepper, Harold Foster, Frucci, Ostrowski, Thomas Martinson, Paulette Warren, John Lewis Jr., Jere Auvenshine and Mel Place.

services offices and two teller stations. It will also offer drive-thru banking with lanes for two interactive teller machines (ITMs).

ITMs offer two-way audio and video interaction with a teller located at a remote site. A teller physically located at LAFCU's main branch in west Lansing will control the machines at the St. Johns branch. In 2013, LAFCU was the first and continues to be the only financial institution in mid-Michigan to offer ITM technology. There are three ITMs at the LAFCU Mason branch office.

A freestanding ATM was initially installed at the site of this new facility when the property was purchased several years ago. Members also have access to a LAFCU ATM located in the nearby Kroger.

The architect of the St. Johns branch office is MAYOTTEgroup, of Lansing. The general contractor is Harmon Management, of Mason.

About LAFCU

Chartered in 1936, LAFCU is proud to be mid-Michigan's credit union, serving the counties of Barry, Calhoun, Clinton, Eaton, Gratiot, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Livingston, Montcalm and Shiawassee. A recipient of the Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Award, LAFCU takes pride in bringing value to the financial lives of its members, neighbors, families and community. Offering a comprehensive range of personal and business financial products, LAFCU provides services that include checking and savings accounts, auto and mortgage lending, business accounts and business lending. LAFCU serves 55,000 members, holds more than \$580 million in assets, and maintains eight locations throughout Greater Lansing and Shiawassee County. Anyone who lives, works, worships or attends school in its designated counties is eligible to join. Members enjoy benefits, such as lower interest rates on loans, higher yields on savings, insurance discounts, preferred seating for LAFCU-sponsored events, and access to 28,000 surcharge-free ATMs through the CO-OP ATM network. LAFCU supports and enriches mid-Michigan by donating funds and employee volunteer hours to many organizations and causes. To learn more about LAFCU please call 517.622.6600 or find us online:

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