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**For Immediate Release****Village Northwest Unlimited Receives \$1,000 Donation from SHAZAM**

Sheldon, Iowa (March 30, 2025) — Village Northwest Unlimited received a \$1,000 donation from SHAZAM®, the Iowa-based payments provider, as part of SHAZAM's 50th anniversary celebration. The contribution was made possible through a nomination from Citizens State Bank.

To mark its milestone year, SHAZAM is giving back in a meaningful way — donating a total of \$50,000 to organizations nominated by its employees, clients, board members and business partners. Village Northwest Unlimited was randomly selected as one of the recipients through this initiative.

Citizens State Bank Executive Vice President Heidi Brown, a member of the SHAZAM board, submitted the nomination. Brown delivered the donation to Village Northwest Unlimited last week during a visit with CEO Barry Whitsell.

The contribution advances Village Northwest Unlimited's mission to provide purpose, privacy and dignity for all people and reflects SHAZAM's focus on strengthening financial institutions to support and improve local communities.

**About SHAZAM**

SHAZAM, Inc. believes financial institutions are the backbone of the communities they serve. We help banks and credit unions better compete by being a service-focused financial services and payments provider. SHAZAM's independent, member-owned structure allows our members to participate in the company's decision-making process. Since SHAZAM is not beholden to shareholders, we reinvest our profits into the products and services our financial institution partners use every day so they can best serve their accountholders. SHAZAM's employees are customer-focused, industry leaders, and vocal advocates, guided by our mission of *Strengthening Financial Institutions*. Learn more at [shazam.net](https://shazam.net).

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