

From: [Tracy Altizer](#)
To: comments.applications@rich.frb.org; [BankMergerApplication](#)
Subject: SunTrust / BB&T Merger
Date: Friday, April 19, 2019 7:57:14 AM

Members of the Federal Reserve and FDIC:

I am writing to you in support of the proposed merger between SunTrust Bank and BB&T.

My name is Tracy Altizer and I am the Chief Development Officer of the Rescue Mission of Roanoke. SunTrust in particular has been a longtime supporter of the Rescue Mission. I have worked closely for several years with Scott Horchler, VP/Greater VA Community Development Manager, and his assistance has been valuable in helping us seek and obtain grant funding from SunTrust. He understands the pressing needs in our region both from an economic standpoint and a human standpoint, and works hard to build strong community connections and relations.

Local Senior VP of Commercial Banking Chad Brown is our current Executive Board President at the Rescue Mission. Mr. Brown also understands the important responsibility that banks and corporations have in not only growing their businesses, but in helping to lift the whole community from the bottom up. He volunteers, he supports financially, and he is a staunch advocate of meeting the needs of the less fortunate.

From my conversations with both of these individuals, I have been assured that this merger will not lead to any diminished support for our non-profit organization or others. In fact, I believe the merger will create an even greater capacity to "share the wealth," and I have every hope that will lead to more grants, and grants at higher levels for our organization and others.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide insight on the proposed merger from our non-profit perspective. I am happy to answer any questions should you feel a need to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tracy Altizer

--

Tracy Altizer
Chief Development Officer
Roanoke Rescue Mission
540-777-7689
www.rescuemission.net