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### Centennial BANK Makes American Banker's 2019 List of Best Banks to Work For

**LUBBOCK, TX | September 2, 2019** – Chief Executive Officer Gregg Appel is pleased to announce that Centennial BANK has been named one of *American Banker's Best Banks to Work For* in 2019 based on the overwhelming satisfaction of their team.

"We are honored to be recognized as #63 on this elite list of incredible banks. We have allocated time, energy and resources to building and improving our culture over the last few years and I am proud of the organization that we have become," stated Appel. "Our culture is grounded in our 'Centennial BANK Mantra' which encapsulates our values, entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to our communities and customers."

"Creating an environment where our employees can achieve personal and professional success is critical. Happy employees create delighted customers," said Appel.

The Best Banks to Work For program, which was initiated in 2013 by American Banker and Best Companies Group, identifies, recognizes and honors U.S. banks for outstanding employee satisfaction. Full results of this year's program are available at American Banker and in the September issue of American Banker Magazine.

"One of the critical factors in a bank's success is how it treats its employees. This year's list honors those institutions which have gone above and beyond to invest in employees' personal and professional growth," said Rob Blackwell, editor in chief of American Banker.

Determining the Best Banks to Work For involves a two-step process. The first step involves an evaluation of participating companies' workplace policies, practices, and demographics. In the second step, employee surveys are conducted to directly assess the experiences and attitudes of individual employees with respect to their workplace. The combined scores determine the top banks and the final ranking.

To go directly to a full list of this year's winning banks, [click here](#). Best Companies Group managed the overall registration and survey process and also analyzed the data and used their expertise to determine the final ranking.

The program is open to commercial banks, thrifts, savings banks and other chartered retail financial institutions with at least 50 employees in the United States. For more information on eligibility or other questions related to the Best Banks to Work For program, visit [www.BestBankstoWorkFor.com](http://www.BestBankstoWorkFor.com) or contact Gabriela Marushak at 717-323-5217.

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Centennial BANK brings over 85 years of banking expertise to customers across Texas including the Hill Country, Lubbock and the Panhandle/South Plains. The \$800 million community bank operates 14 locations statewide, including Austin, Lubbock (3), Plainview, Tulia, Hart, Post and Slaton with Hill Country locations in Kerrville (2), Fredericksburg, Boerne and New Braunfels.

