Cornerstone Community Bancorp Reports Financial Results For the Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2021

Red Bluff, CA – July 22, 2021 – Cornerstone Community Bancorp (**OTC Pink: CRSB**) announced today its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2021.

The Company reported net income of \$1,816,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2021 compared to net income of \$1,284,000 for the same period last year. Diluted earnings per share were \$1.20 for the three months ended June 30, 2021 compared to \$0.84 for the same period last year.

The return on average assets for the three months ended June 30, 2021 was 1.35% and the return on average equity was 22.17%. The tax-equivalent net interest margin was 3.33% for the three months ended June 30, 2021 compared to 3.06% for the same period last year and the efficiency ratio was 43.23% for the three months ended June 30, 2021 compared to 42.00% for the same period last year.

For the six months ended June 30, 2021, the Company reported net income of \$3,863,000 compared to net income of \$1,331,000 for the same period last year. Diluted earnings per share were \$2.58 for the six months ended June 30, 2021 compared to \$0.87 for the same period last year.

The return on average assets for the six months ended June 30, 2021 was 1.45% and the return on average equity was 24.24%.

President and CEO, Jeff Finck stated, "We continue to grow loans, deposits and earnings. Asset quality remains strong with no nonperforming assets."

Net Interest Income

Net interest income increased to \$4,239,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 compared to \$3,153,000 for the same quarter last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2021, net interest income increased to \$8,456,000 compared to \$5,995,000 for the same period last year.

Provision for credit losses

Provision for credit losses were \$100,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 compared to \$150,000 for the same quarter last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2021, the Company recorded a \$500,000 provision for credit losses compared to \$1,600,000 for the same period last year.

Non-Interest Income

Non-interest income for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 was \$422,000 compared to \$204,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2020. For the six months ended June 30, 2021, non-interest income was \$1,299,000 compared to \$598,000 for the same period last year.

Non-Interest Expense

Non-interest expense was \$2,015,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 compared to \$1,410,000 for the same period last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2021, non-interest expense was \$3,828,000 compared to \$3,308,000 for the same period last year.

Balance Sheet

Total loans, net of unearned income at June 30, 2021 were \$390.7 million compared to \$333.6 million at June 30, 2020.

Total deposits were \$473.3 million at June 30, 2021 compared to total deposits of \$341.4 million at June 30, 2020.

Credit Quality

The allowance for loan losses was \$4,509,000, or 1.15% of loans, net of unearned income at June 30, 2021, compared to \$4,009,000, or 1.20% of loans, net of unearned income at June 30, 2020. There were no nonperforming assets at June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020.

Capital

At June 30, 2021, shareholders' equity totaled \$33.8 million compared to \$27.6 million at June 30, 2020. Book value was \$23.22 per share at June 30, 2021 compared to \$18.50 per share at June 30, 2020.

About Cornerstone Community Bancorp

Cornerstone Community Bancorp, a bank holding company headquartered in Red Bluff, California, serves the Red Bluff and Redding communities through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cornerstone Community Bank with a headquarters office in Red Bluff and two banking offices in Redding. The Bank provides commercial banking services to small and mid-size businesses, including professional service firms, real estate developers and investors and not-for-profit organizations and to their owners and other individuals. Additional information about the Bank is available on its website at <u>www.bankcornerstone.com</u>

Forward-Looking Statements

This release may contain certain forward-looking statements that are based on management's current expectations regarding economic, legislative, and regulatory issues that may impact Cornerstone Community Bancorp's earnings in future periods. Forward-looking statements can

be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. They often include the words "believe," "expect," "intend," "estimate" or words of similar meaning, or future or conditional verbs such as "will," "would," "should," "could" or "may." Factors that could cause future results to vary materially from current management expectations include, but are not limited to, natural disasters (such as wildfires and earthquakes), pandemics such as COVID-19 and the economic impact caused directly by the disease and by government responses thereto, general economic conditions, economic uncertainty in the United States and abroad, changes in interest rates, deposit flows, real estate values, costs or effects of acquisitions, competition, changes in accounting principles, policies or guidelines, legislation or regulation (including the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017 and the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act of 2021), interruptions of utility service in our markets for sustained periods, and other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory and technological factors (including external fraud and cybersecurity threats) affecting Cornerstone Community Bancorp's operations, pricing, products and services. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. Except as required by law, Cornerstone Community Bancorp does not undertake to update forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent circumstances or events.

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CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY BANCORP CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in Thousands)

	06/30/21		()3/31/21	12/31/20		09/30/20		06/30/20		
ASSETS											
Cash and due from banks	\$	5,450	\$	5,417	\$	3,811	\$	5,455	\$	6,350	
Federal funds sold		2,256		5,761		14,166		5,045		10,402	
Interest-bearing deposits		28,549		68,283		77,045		62,110		73,310	
Investment securities		75,258		52,084		50,336		50,699		16,173	
Loans held for sale		-		1,102		-		-		-	
Loans, net of unearned income		390,748		382,253		332,176		342,416		333,620	
Allowance for loan losses		(4,509)		(4,409)		(4,009)		(4,009)		(4,009)	
Loans, net		386,239		377,844		328,167		338,407		329,611	
Premises and equipment, net		13,013		12,767		11,581		10,992		11,095	
Other assets		14,972		13,974		12,724		12,577		11,882	
Total assets	\$	525,737	\$	537,232	\$	497,830	\$	485,285	\$	458,823	
LIABILITIES											
Deposits:											
Demand noninterest-bearing	\$	126,107	\$	126,481	\$	108,147	\$	103,824	\$	96,395	
Demand interest-bearing		126,724		122,506		108,097		104,819		90,633	
Money market and savings		150,086		163,232		146,655		87,035		79,550	
Time deposits of less than \$100,000		13,393		15,812		15,418		21,103		22,925	
Time deposits of \$100,000 or more		56,993		57,299		55,021		54,695		51,919	
Total deposits		473,303		485,330		433,338		371,476		341,422	
Borrowings and other obligations		5,000		5,000		15,000		78,136		83,136	
Subordinated debentures		11,709		11,703		16,645		4,923		4,920	
Interest payable and other liabilities		1,933		3,776		2,763		1,854		1,765	
Total liabilities		491,945		505,809		467,746		456,389		431,243	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY											
Common stock		14,771		14,681		14,584		15,462		15,440	
Retained Earnings		18,999		17,183		15,136		13,077		11,841	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		22		(441)		364		357		299	
Total shareholders' equity		33,792		31,423		30,084		28,896		27,580	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	525,737	\$	537,232	\$	497,830	\$	485,285	\$	458,823	
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Total equity / total assets		6.43%		5.85%		6.04%		5.95%		6.01%	
Book value per share	\$	23.22	\$	21.65	\$	20.87	\$	19.38	\$	18.50	
Shares outstanding	1	1,455,091	1	1,451,091	1	,441,241	1	,491,041	1	1,491,041	

CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in Thousands)

		Th	ree m	onths er	Six months ended						
	00	5/30/21		/31/21		6/30/20		06/30/21		06/30/20	
INTEREST INCOME	<u>_</u>	4.250	¢		<i>•</i>	2 (12		<i>•</i>	0.020	<i>c</i>	6.060
Loans	\$	4,379	\$	4,451	\$	3,612		\$	8,830	\$	6,968
Federal funds sold		1		2		4			3		21
Investment securities Other		217 53		162 32		82 45			379 85		172 90
Total interest income		4,650		4,647		3,743			9,297		7,251
INTEREST EXPENSE											
Deposits:											
Interest-bearing demand		45		47		40			92		75
Money market and savings		93		87		119			180		305
Time deposits		114		124		260			238		591
Other		159		172		171			331		285
Total interest expense		411		430		590			841		1,256
Net interest income		4,239		4,217		3,153			8,456		5,995
Provision for credit losses		100		400		150			500		1,600
Net interest income after provision											
for credit losses		4,139		3,817		3,003			7,956		4,395
NON-INTEREST INCOME											
Service charges on deposit accounts		59		58		46			117		118
Gain on sale of loans		135		700		-			835		186
Gain (loss) on sale of other real estate owned		-		-		-			-		-
Gain (loss) on sale of securities		-		(45)		-			(45)		-
Other non-interest income		228		164		158			392		294
Total non-interest income		422		877		204			1,299		598
OPERATING EXPENSES											
Salaries and benefits		968		679		392			1,647		1,331
Premises and fixed assets		199		179		257			378		509
Other		848		956		761			1,803		1,468
Total operating expenses		2,015		1,814		1,410			3,828		3,308
Income before income taxes		2,546		2,880		1,797			5,427		1,685
Income taxes		730		834		513			1,564		354
NET INCOME	\$	1,816	\$	2,046	\$	1,284		\$	3,863	\$	1,331
EARNINGS PER SHARE											
Basic earnings per share	\$	1.25	\$	1.41	\$	0.86		\$	2.66	\$	0.90
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.20	\$	1.38	\$	0.84		\$	2.58	\$	0.87
Average common shares outstanding	1,	453,915	1,4	47,763	1,	485,217		1,4	450,856	1,4	482,942
Average common and equivalent											
shares outstanding	1,	510,621	1,4	85,953	1,	523,322		1,4	497,565	1,	528,547
PERFORMANCE MEASURES											
Return on average assets		1.35%		1.56%		1.18%			1.45%		0.72%
Return on average equity		22.17%		26.41%		18.92%			24.24%		9.90%
Tax-equivalent net interest margin		3.33%		3.43%		3.06%			3.38%		3.48%
Efficiency ratio		43.23%		35.61%		42.00%			39.24%		50.17%