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CENTRAL VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK TO HOST RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY FOR NEW MERCED OFFICE AND LAUNCH ECONOMIC RELIEF FOOD DRIVE

FRESNO, CALIFORNIA…August 24, 2009… Daniel J. Doyle, President and Chief Executive Officer of Central Valley Community Bank (Bank), the sole subsidiary of Central Valley Community Bancorp (Company) (NASDAQ: CVCY), is pleased to announce a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Bank's newest office in Merced to be held Wednesday, August 26th at 11:45 a.m. The ceremony will be conducted with representatives from the Merced Chamber of Commerce at the new 2,000 square foot office located at 2832 North G Street, on the northeast corner of North G Street and Bear Creek, in the Galleria Shopping Center.

In addition to commemorating the new branch location, Central Valley Community Bank is launching its Economic Relief Food Drive in support of the Merced County Food Bank. Part of an organization-wide food drive, Central Valley Community Bank encourages the community to donate food or raise funds to help fulfill the tremendous need of those in Merced County who have been affected by the difficult economy. Donations should be non-perishable food, like canned soup, canned vegetables or fruit, pasta, beans, rice or cereal. The food drive will continue through September 30th and all donations in the Merced office will be donated to the Merced County Food Bank. Donations will also be accepted at all Central Valley Community Bank offices in Fresno and Madera Counties.

"The Bank is proud to extend our roots within Merced by working together with the community to help meet the crucial need for food for local families. Our team is invested in the community and will continue our commitment to this and other compelling issues in the months and years to come," said Daniel J. Doyle, President and CEO of Central Valley Community Bancorp and Central Valley Community Bank. "We also appreciate the Merced Chamber of Commerce for their support as we join the local business community."

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Central Valley Community Bank's Merced office officially opened on August 3, 2009. The Merced office is managed by area native Susan Armstrong, Vice President, Branch Manager, in addition to a full-time staff of local professionals specializing in retail and commercial banking. Office hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. The Merced team can be contacted at (209) 725-2820.

Central Valley Community Bancorp trades on the NASDAQ stock exchange under the symbol CVCY. Central Valley Community Bank, headquartered in Fresno, California, was founded in 1979 and is the sole subsidiary of Central Valley Community Bancorp. Central Valley Community Bank currently operates 16 offices in Clovis, Fresno, Kerman, Lodi, Madera, Merced, Oakhurst, Prather, Sacramento, Stockton, Tracy, and a loan production office in Modesto, California. Additionally, the Bank operates Commercial Real Estate Lending, SBA Lending and Agribusiness Lending Departments. Investment services are provided by Investment Centers of America and insurance services are offered through Central Valley Community Insurance Services LLC. Members of Central Valley Community Bancorp's and the Bank's Board of Directors are: Daniel N. Cunningham (Chairman), Sidney B. Cox, Edwin S. Darden, Jr., Daniel J. Doyle, Steven D. McDonald, Louis McMurray, Wanda L. Rogers (Director Emeritus), William S. Smittcamp, and Joseph B. Weirick.

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