Cornerstone Community Bancorp Reports Financial Results For the Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2019

Red Bluff, CA – July 16, 2019 – Cornerstone Community Bancorp (**OTC Pink: CRSB**) announced today its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2019.

The Company reported net income of \$911,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2019 compared to net income of \$664,000 for the same period last year. Diluted earnings per share were \$0.60 for the three months ended June 30, 2019 compared to \$0.44 for the same period last year.

The return on average assets for the three months ended June 30, 2019 was 1.34% and the return on average equity was 15.47%. The net interest margin expanded to 4.36% for the three months ended June 30, 2019 compared to 4.23% for the same period last year and the efficiency ratio declined to 56.05% for the three months ended June 30, 2019 compared to 61.13% for the same period last year.

For the six months ended June 30, 2019, the Company reported net income of \$1,696,000 compared to net income of \$1,226,000 for the same period last year. Diluted earnings per share were \$1.12 for the six months ended June 30, 2019 compared to \$0.83 for the same period last year.

The return on average assets for the six months ended June 30, 2019 was 1.26% and the return on average equity was 14.67%.

President and CEO, Jeff Finck, stated, "Our return on average assets, return on average equity and net interest margin all expanded for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2019 compared to the same period last year. Our efficiency ratio also improved during those periods and was at 56% for the most recent quarter."

Net Interest Income

Net interest income increased to \$2,691,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 compared to \$2,371,000 for the same quarter last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, net interest income increased to \$5,320,000 compared to \$4,599,000 for the same period last year.

Provision for credit losses

The Company recorded a \$110,000 provision for credit losses for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 compared to \$40,000 for the same quarter last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, the Company recorded a \$200,000 provision for credit losses compared to \$104,000 for the same period last year.

Non-Interest Income

Non-interest income for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 was \$476,000 compared to \$158,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2018. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, non-interest income was \$801,000 compared to \$319,000 for the same period last year.

Non-Interest Expense

Non-interest expense was \$1,775,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 compared to \$1,546,000 for the same period last year. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, non-interest expense was \$3,531,000 compared to \$3,124,000 for the same period last year.

Balance Sheet

The Company had total assets at June 30, 2019 of \$289.3 million compared to \$244.8 million at June 30, 2018.

Total loans, net of unearned income at June 30, 2019 were \$222.2 million compared to \$194.0 million at June 30, 2018.

Total deposits were \$256.2 million at June 30, 2019 compared to total deposits of \$211.8 million at June 30, 2018.

Credit Quality

The allowance for loan losses was \$2,345,000, or 1.06% of loans, net of unearned income at June 30, 2019, compared to \$1,947,000, or 1.00% of loans, net of unearned income at June 30, 2018. There were \$99,000 in nonperforming assets at June 30, 2019 and no nonperforming assets at June 30, 2018.

Capital

At June 30, 2019, shareholders' equity totaled \$24.0 million compared to \$21.0 million at June 30, 2018. Book value per share was \$16.71 per share at June 30, 2019 compared to \$14.97 per share at June 30, 2018. During the second quarter of 2018, the Company completed a private placement of \$2.1 million of its common stock. In the offering, the Company issued 119,285 shares of its common stock at a purchase price of \$17.5 per share.

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 press release contains forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties and are based on the beliefs and assumptions of the management of Cornerstone Community Bancorp and on information available to management at the time these statements were made. There are a number of factors, many of which are beyond Cornerstone Community Bancorp's control, which could cause actual conditions, events or results to differ significantly from those described in the forward-looking statements. Factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by such forwardlooking statements include, among others, the following possibilities: (1) competitive pressures among depository and other financial institutions may increase significantly; (2) revenues may be lower than expected; (3) changes in the interest rate environment may reduce interest margins; (4) general economic conditions, either nationally or regionally, may be less favorable than expected, resulting in, among other things, a deterioration in credit quality and/or a reduced demand for credit; (5) legislative or regulatory changes, including changes in accounting standards and tax laws, may adversely affect the businesses in which Cornerstone Community Bancorp is engaged; (6) competitors may have greater financial resources and develop products that enable such competitors to compete more successfully than Cornerstone Community Bancorp; and (7) adverse changes may occur in the securities markets or with respect to inflation. 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)

	06/30/19		()3/31/19	12/31/18		09/30/18		06/30/18		
ASSETS	¢	11 100	¢	5 744	¢	7.002	¢	5 075	¢	4 120	
Cash and due from banks	\$	11,122	\$	5,744	\$	7,002	\$	5,275	\$	4,139	
Federal funds sold		13,520		8,836		20		20		20	
Interest-bearing deposits		8,166		11,186		24,730		23,686		24,066	
Investment securities		7,010		7,720		9,284		9,548		10,651	
Loans held for sale		-		-		-		-		-	
Loans, net of unearned income		222,199		214,476		209,330		202,300		193,989	
Allowance for loan losses		(2,345)		(2,235)		(2,152)		(2,022)		(1,947)	
Loans, net		219,854		212,241		207,178		200,278		192,042	
Premises and equipment, net		11,316		10,154		8,740		7,777		6,958	
Other assets		18,359		10,151		9,407		6,930		6,877	
Total assets	\$	289,347	\$	266,032	\$	266,361	\$	253,514	\$	244,753	
LIABILITIES											
Deposits:											
Demand noninterest-bearing	\$	54,439	\$	50,564	\$	50,862	\$	49,063	\$	44,751	
Demand interest-bearing		48,839		38,434		37,875		34,312		29,565	
Money market and savings		79,614		74,628		75,015		71,729		72,319	
Time deposits of less than \$100,000		19,331		15,099		15,778		16,456		19,482	
Time deposits of \$100,000 or more		53,940		52,250		52,763		48,155		45,671	
Total deposits		256,163		230,975		232,293		219,715		211,788	
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings		3,000		6,000		6,000		6,000		6,000	
Subordinated debentures		4,908		4,906		4,903		4,900		4,897	
Interest payable and other liabilities		1,325		1,190		1,100		1,161		1,021	
Total liabilities		265,396		243,071		244,296		231,776		223,706	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY											
Common stock		15,122		15,088		15,001		15,584		15,551	
Retained Earnings		8,753		7,842		7,058		6,173		5,507	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		76		31		6		(19)		(11)	
Total shareholders' equity		23,951		22,961		22,065		21,738		21,047	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	289,347	\$	266,032	\$	266,361	\$	253,514	\$	244,753	
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Total equity / total assets		8.28%		8.63%		8.28%		8.57%		8.60%	
Book value per share	\$	16.71	\$	16.02	\$	15.56	\$	15.47	\$	14.97	

CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Three months ended							Six months ended					
	06/30/19 03/31/19					5/30/18		06/30/19			06/30/18		
INTEREST INCOME													
Loans	\$	3,210	\$	3,130	\$	2,673		\$	6,340	\$	5,204		
Federal funds sold	φ	5,210 60	φ	14	φ	2,075		φ	0,340 74	φ	5,204		
Investment securities		55		63		78			118		156		
Other		80		121		124			201		212		
Total interest income		3,405		3,328		2,875			6,733		5,572		
INTEREST EXPENSE													
Deposits:													
Interest-bearing demand		27		22		13			49		27		
Money market and savings		206		216		145			422		272		
Time deposits		373		344		227			717		430		
Other		108		117		119			225		244		
Total interest expense		714		699		504			1,413		973		
Net interest income		2,691		2,629		2,371			5,320		4,599		
Provision for credit losses		110		90		40			200		104		
Net interest income after provision													
for credit losses		2,581		2,539		2,331			5,120		4,495		
NON-INTEREST INCOME													
Service charges on deposit accounts		85		45		58			130		107		
Gain on sale of loans		268		149		-			417		17		
Gain (loss) on sale of other real estate owned		-		-		-			-		-		
Gain (loss) on sale of securities		-		-		-			-		-		
Other non-interest income		123		131		100			254		195		
Total non-interest income		476		325		158			801		319		
OPERATING EXPENSES													
Salaries and benefits		908		934		814			1,842		1,690		
Premises and fixed assets		210		182		148			392		298		
Other		657		640		584			1,297		1,136		
Total operating expenses		1,775		1,756		1,546			3,531		3,124		
Income before income taxes		1,282		1,108		943			2,390		1,690		
Income taxes		371		323		279			694		464		
NET INCOME	\$	911	\$	785	\$	664		\$	1,696	\$	1,226		
EARNINGS PER SHARE													
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.64	\$	0.55	\$	0.48		\$	1.18	\$	0.93		
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.60	\$	0.52	\$	0.44		\$	1.12	\$	0.83		
Average common shares outstanding	1,	433,041	1,43	2,208	1,	371,656		1,4	432,627	1,	324,551		
Average common and equivalent													
shares outstanding	1,	519,821	1,51	6,515	1,	515,943		1,	518,216	1,	470,417		
PERFORMANCE MEASURES													
Return on average assets		1.34%		1.18%		1.11%			1.26%		1.04%		
Return on average equity		15.47%		3.84%		13.13%			14.67%		12.71%		
Net interest margin		4.36%		4.35%		4.23%			4.35%		4.17%		
Efficiency ratio		56.05%	5	9.44%		61.13%			57.69%		63.52%		