

Golden Valley Bancshares Reports Fourth Quarter 2024 Results (Unaudited)

CHICO, Calif. – Golden Valley Bancshares (OTC Markets: <u>GVYB</u>), with its wholly owned subsidiary, Golden Valley Bank headquartered in Chico, California today reported fourth guarter 2024 financial results.

Golden Valley Bank had strong growth in 2024 despite the unique challenges of economic uncertainty, a persistent inverted yield curve, compressed margins and a general malaise in the banking industry.

We ended the year with all-time highs in both assets and deposits. After a weak start, not uncommon in our industry in 2024, our deposits grew by \$50 million in the final eight months of the year, more than 11%, to end at \$489 million. Assets jumped by \$54 million in that same time period and ended the year at \$536 million. While enduring a sluggish loan market, we were able to grow our loan totals by over \$10 million with over \$50 million in originations. These results are a direct reflection of the effort put in by our staff to retain and grow both deposits and loans during a very difficult time.

Our asset quality continued to be exceptional with no loans over 30 days past due at year end. In fact, very few loans were past due by any margin at the end of the year. It's been over a decade since we had a charge off in our loan portfolio. We understand our markets and are loaning to qualified individuals and businesses.

The inverted yield curve compressed margins in 2024 and we had a series of one-time expenses that reduced profitability, however we were still able to post net income of over \$3.2 million.

The momentum created by our strong asset growth at the end of 2024 positions us well to make significant strides in each of our markets – Chico, Redding and Oroville – in 2025.

Consolidated Balance Sheet (unaudited)

(Dollars in Thousands)

	12/31/2024		9/30/2024		6/30/2024		3/31/2024		12/31/2023	
Total investment securities	\$	182,525	\$	163,244	\$	164,229	\$	175,578	\$	181,989
Total loans, net of unearned income		247,500		241,501		237,880		236,226		240,104
Allowance for credit losses		(3,938)		(3,938)		(3,938)		(3,938)		(3,937)
Total assets		536,291		499,636		492,330		486,135		488,564
Total deposits		488,916		451,498		447,513		442,062		445,045
Subordinated debentures		5,891		5,879		5,867		5,855		5,843
Total shareholders' equity		38,704		39,387		36,610		35,348		34,627
Loan to deposit ratio		50.62%		53.49%		53.16%		53.44%		53.95%
Book value per share	\$	17.30	\$	17.61	\$	16.37	\$	15.86	\$	15.54
Subsidiary Bank's Tier 1 leverage ratio)	9.76%		10.10%		10.10%		9.87%		9.59%

Net profit for the quarter ended December 31, 2024, totaled \$830,000 compared to \$867,000 for the quarter ending September 30, 2024. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company reported \$3,245,000 compared to net profit of \$3,750,000 for 2023. The decline in earnings year over year was a result of increasing deposit costs during this higher interest rate environment.

Interest income increased to \$5,781,000 versus \$5,521,000 for the prior quarter and \$5,159,000 for the fourth quarter of 2023. These increases are primarily due to the impact of higher loan yields and increased average balances of overnight investments. Interest expense increased to \$1,868,000 for quarter ending December 31, 2024 versus \$1,728,000 for the prior quarter due to increased money market balances. In addition, interest expense totaled \$6,790,000 for year ended December 31, 2024, a \$2,360,000 increase from year end December 31, 2023. The increase is a direct result of the elevated interest rate environment and the shift in deposit mix from noninterest bearing deposit accounts to interest bearing as customers desire higher returns.

Consolidated Income Statement (unaudited)

(Dollars in Thousands)	Quarterly Highlights										
	4th Quarter 2024		3rd Quarter 2024		2nd Quarter 2024		1st Quarter 2024		4th Quarter 2023		
Interest income	\$	5,781	\$	5,521	\$	5,160	\$	5,070	\$	5,159	
Interest expense		1,868		1,728		1,630		1,565		1,413	
Net interest income		3,913		3,793		3,530		3,505		3,746	
Provision for credit losses		-		2		-		2		1	
Noninterest income		258		275		301		268		248	
Noninterest expense		3,008		2,847		2,736		2,784		2,715	
Netincome		830		867		781		766		906	
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.37	\$	0.39	\$	0.35	\$	0.34	\$	0.41	
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.36	\$	0.38	\$	0.34	\$	0.34	\$	0.40	
Return on average assets		0.63%		0.69%		0.64%		0.63%		0.73%	
Return on average equity		8.40%		9.13%		8.87%		8.84%		11.43%	
Net interest margin		3.01%		3.08%		2.95%		2.92%		3.05%	
Efficiency ratio		71.73%		69.61%		71.01%		73.34%		67.60%	

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Twelve months ended									
	12/31/2024		12	/31/2023	\$ (Change	% Change			
Interest income	\$	21,533	\$	19,428	\$	2,105	10.8%			
Interest expense		6,790		4,430		2,360	53.3%			
Net interest income		14,743		14,998		(255)	(1.7%)			
Provision for credit losses		4		9		(5)	0.0%			
Noninterest income		1,102		973		129	13.3%			
Noninterest expense		11,376		10,678		698	6.5%			
Net income		3,245		3,750		(505)	(13.5%)			
Basic earnings per share	\$	1.45	\$	1.68	\$	(0.23)	(13.7%)			
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.42	\$	1.66	\$	(0.24)	(14.5%)			
Return on average assets		0.65%		0.77%			(0.1%)			
Return on average equity		8.83%		12.17%			(3.3%)			
Net interest margin		2.99%		3.10%			(0.1%)			
Efficiency ratio		71.40%		66.48%			4.9%			

The Bank continues to be a well-capitalized bank and far exceeds minimum regulatory requirements. To view our complete quarterly earnings release and additional financial information, please visit our Investors Relations page at goldenvalley.bank/Investor-Relations.

Golden Valley Bancshares, a bank holding company with its wholly owned subsidiary, Golden Valley Bank is a locally owned and operated commercial bank serving the needs of individuals and businesses in northern California. The Bank has full service offices in Chico, Redding and Oroville, California. For more information regarding the bank please call at (530) 894-1000 or visit goldenvalley.bank.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements concerning future performance, developments or events, expectations for growth and income forecasts, and any other guidance on future periods, constitute forward-looking statements that are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results are pre-fiscal year-end audit and may differ materially from stated expectations. Specific factors include, but are not limited to, loan production, balance sheet management, expanded net interest margin, the ability to control costs and expenses, interest rate changes, technological factors (including external fraud and cybersecurity threats), natural disasters, pandemics such as COVID-19 and financial policies of the United States government and general economic conditions. Golden Valley Bancshares disclaims any obligation to update any such factors.

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