

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 12, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 12, 2012

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	000-28304 (Commission File Number)	33-0704889 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
3756 Central Avenue, Riverside, California (Address of principal executive offices)		92506 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (951) 686-6060

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Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 12, 2012, Provident Financial Holdings, Inc., the holding company for Provident Savings Bank, F.S.B. (“Bank”), announced that the Bank has signed a lease agreement with the intention of opening a new retail/business banking branch in La Quinta, California. The full-service branch will become the Bank’s 15th and is slated to open in the early summer of 2012 subject to customary contingencies, contractual requirements and regulatory approvals. The news release announcing the new branch is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 News Release on the new branch dated January 12, 2012.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 12, 2012

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ Donavon P. Ternes  
Donavon P. Ternes  
President, Chief Operating Officer and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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