

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): February 25, 2016

UNION BANKSHARES CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-20293
(Commission
File Number)

54-1598552
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1051 East Cary Street
Suite 1200
Richmond, Virginia 23219
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (804) 633-5031

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13c-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13c-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 29, 2016 Union Bankshares Corporation (“the Company”) announced that its Board of Directors has authorized a share repurchase program to purchase up to \$25 million worth of the Company’s common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. The authorization permits management to repurchase the Company’s shares from time to time at management’s discretion. The repurchase program is authorized through December 31, 2016. This new stock repurchase authorization replaces the \$25 million stock repurchase program approved by the Board of Directors on October 29, 2015 which was completed on February 19, 2016. The company repurchased approximately 935,000 shares from January 1, 2016 to February 19, 2016 under that program. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) *Exhibits.*

99.1 Union Bankshares Corporation press release dated February 29, 2016.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

UNION BANKSHARES CORPORATION

Date: February 29, 2016

By: /s/ Robert M. Gorman

Robert M. Gorman
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer



Union Bankshares Corporation Announces Share Repurchase Authorization

Richmond, Va., February 29, 2016 – Union Bankshares Corporation (the “Company”) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized a share repurchase program to purchase up to \$25 million worth of the Company’s common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. The authorization permits management to repurchase the Company’s shares from time to time at management’s discretion. The repurchase program is authorized through December 31, 2016.

This new stock repurchase authorization replaces the \$25 million stock repurchase program approved by the Board of Directors on October 29, 2015 which was completed on February 19, 2016. The company repurchased approximately 935,000 shares from January 1, 2016 to February 19, 2016 under that program.

ABOUT UNION BANKSHARES CORPORATION

Headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, Union Bankshares Corporation (NASDAQ: UBSH), is the holding company for Union Bank & Trust, which has 124 branches and approximately 200 ATMs throughout Virginia. Non-bank affiliates of the holding company include: Union Mortgage Group, Inc., which provides a full line of mortgage products; and Union Insurance Group, LLC, which offers various lines of insurance products.

Additional information on the company is available at <http://investors.bankatunion.com>.

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