



**A Message From  
Paul Simons, President/CEO**

Spring is here and right in the line with the arrival of allergy season we can move our fitness program from the moving walkways of our treadmill to the great outdoors. If our New Year's Resolutions have held up, that transition won't be a difficult one. We should be stronger than we were just a few months ago.

Speaking of strong, Credit Union 1 will be joining credit unions nationwide in the month of April to focus on youth. To read more about Credit Union Youth Month and how we will be involved see the article below. The theme for Credit Union Youth Month this year is Credit Union Strong. That sounds a lot like our Credit Union focus this year on financial fitness. At Credit Union 1 we want to help both the young and the old to improve their financial fitness or financial strength. We understand how people who know that they are on sound financial footing have more confidence and as a result more peace of mind. Financial fitness allows us the freedom to dream a little bigger and power to help a little more.

We hope that you have taken the time to watch some of our Financial Fitness videos over the past few months. They have presented themes including things to do in your 20's, 30's and 40's as well as tips for tax time. If you missed a video or you just want to see one again they are available on our YouTube channel at [youtube.com/c/creditunion1](http://youtube.com/c/creditunion1). Don't forget to visit the new calculators page on the website either. There are great tools for planning for the future and for measuring our financial success.

## 2016 Holiday Schedule

Our offices will be closed the following dates:

Memorial Day	Monday, May 30
4th of July	Monday, July 4
Labor Day	Monday, September 5
Columbus Day	Monday, October 10
Veteran's Day	Friday, November 11
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 24
Christmas Day	Sunday, December 25

We look forward to joining you and other credit union members in celebrating the strength of our youth and in improving our financial fitness this year.

May Shred Event



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Our month-long youth celebration is focused on the theme of Credit Union Strong.

Young people face a bewildering financial landscape in their immediate future—one where technology has made spending as easy as breathing and the cost of higher education continues to skyrocket. That's why we believe it's more important than ever to ensure our youth possess strong money management skills.

As a not-for-profit financial cooperative, our core values include member education and social responsibility. We care about our community and the people in it. We look forward to watching the next generation grow and make it even better.

We can prepare our community's youngest members for brighter futures by instilling the habit of saving at a young age, providing financial education, offering positive encouragement, and by helping them grow into financially capable adults. Credit Union Strong means having the money skills to embrace an awesome future,

and leaving your community better than you found. That's why we take our mission of helping youth so seriously.

Of course, we realize the biggest influence on anyone's life is his or her parents. So if you want to start your kids on a path to financial strength, participating in Credit Union Youth Month is a good start.

Bring your financial fitness buffs into Credit Union 1 and help them pump up their savings, today!



# Credit Union 1 Community Involvement



## Blood Drive Results

Thank you to everyone who participated in **Credit Union 1 Blood Donation Month**. Credit Union 1 had 87 heroes come out to donate blood totaling 74 units of blood collected during the month of February 2016. Together we helped save 222 lives in our communities.



## Shred Event

### Complete Your Spring Cleaning At The Credit Union 1 Shred Event

During the month of May, Credit Union 1 will be having a Shred Event. Shredding sensitive documents containing personal information is one way to reduce your risk of becoming an identity theft victim.

Several of our branches will be hosting a Shred Event to provide a secure way for our members and the people in our communities to destroy your personal information. To allow us to accommodate as many people as possible, bring up to 2 file boxes or 3 grocery bags full of confidential documents to be shredded at one of the Credit Union 1 Shred Events. Documents will be shredded on site free of charge.

Be sure to visit our website for Shred Event dates, location information, and the latest details, at [creditunion1.org](http://creditunion1.org)

## My Credit Union 1 Checking Account



### My Credit Union 1 Checking Account is low cost, flexible and accessible

Receive ultimate convenience and 24-hour access to your money. Our checking account options are a great fit for your busy life. Choose between the Express Checking<sup>1</sup> or the dividend-bearing Express Plus Checking<sup>2</sup>.

With our checking account you will have access to eStatements, Visa<sup>®</sup> Debit Card, Online Express Home Banking, and Mobile Banking<sup>3</sup>. You will also have the option for direct deposit and payroll deduction, as well as no per check writing fees.

Stop by your local branch to set up your Credit Union 1 checking account today!

<sup>1</sup>There is a \$4.95 fee per month. This fee does not apply to members that are under the age of 24 or that are 65 and older. OR to those enrolled in eStatements and have 5 completed Point-of-Sale transactions for the calendar month. OR those enrolled in eStatements and have Direct Deposit or Payroll Deduction to a Credit Union 1 Checking Account. <sup>2</sup>There is a \$500 minimum balance requirement. If balance falls below the \$500 minimum in any calendar month, your account will be subject to a \$9.95 fee. <sup>3</sup>Message and data rates may apply. Check with your mobile carrier for details.



As part of the national America Saves Week, the University of Illinois' Student Money Management Center held their 5th annual "University of Illinois Saves" (#UISAVES) savings pledge competition. The friendly 7 week competition's goal, held between the Urbana-Champaign, Chicago and Springfield campuses, is to promote a culture of saving and positive financial behaviors. With the same goal in mind, Credit Union 1 supported the competition by donating prizes, providing volunteers and spreading the word about the event at our UIC and Springfield branch locations. Through the first week of the competition, over 200 pledges were collected! UISaves hopes to surpass their 2015 results of nearly 700 pledges. Visit [www.universityillinoisaves.org](http://www.universityillinoisaves.org) for more details on the competition.

