



Fidel Gonzalez
President/CEO

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As we step into the vibrant season of spring, I want to highlight a critical advocacy effort we must unite around—Don't Tax My Credit Union. As a member-owned cooperative, we believe in putting your best interests first, and this advocacy campaign ensures that we can continue doing just that. It's important to remember that a tax on credit unions isn't just a tax on our organization—it's a tax on you, our members. By standing together, we can protect the unique benefits of credit union membership. I encourage you to join this effort and make your voice heard by visiting ficu.com/DontTaxMyCU. Together, we can safeguard our mission of serving members, not profits.

I'm also thrilled to share some exciting news about the future of our credit union. We've embarked on a rebranding journey, including a new name that reflects our commitment to you and the communities we serve. This initiative represents more than just a change in appearance—it's a renewed promise to grow with you and for you. The unveiling of our new name is planned for late summer, and we can't wait to share it with you. Follow along at ficu.com/NameChange for the latest updates.

Lastly, let's take a moment to appreciate the energy and promise that spring brings. Just as the season blossoms with new opportunities, our credit union remains dedicated to helping you achieve your financial endeavors.

>>> Financial Literacy Corner

Topic of the Quarter Budgeting for Seasonal Expenses

As spring unfolds, it's not just the flowers that bloom—expenses can, too! Between travel plans, home maintenance projects, and holiday celebrations like Easter or Mother's Day, springtime often comes with unique financial demands. A few tips to keep your finances thriving:

- **1. Create a Spring Budget:** Start by listing expected expenses, such as gardening supplies, trips, or celebrations. Allocate funds to stay prepared.
- **2. Plan for Emergencies:** Spring rain can bring unexpected repairs. Open an Emergency Savings account to cover any surprises.
- **3. Shop Smart:** Look for seasonal sales and discounts for big purchases. Spring cleaning sales can also be a great opportunity for savings.
- **4. Save for Summer:** As we head toward summer, consider saving a little extra to cover vacation plans or back-to-school costs. Our Saver accounts are a great product for this purpose.

Visit our blog at ficu.com to read the full article.



New Name and Branding Coming this Fall

After decades of having a name focused on geography, we are rolling out a new name and branding to better reflect the people and communities we serve.

FAQs related to the initiative are available in both English and Spanish at **ficu.com/NameChange** or by scanning the QR code below.



Rest assured that while we're changing our name, we are still the same member-owned credit union that has served you for more than 80 years!

DON'T TAX MY CREDIT UNION.

A Tax on Credit Unions is a Tax on You.

Learn more at ficu.com/DontTaxMyCU

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Loan Processor, Felix, attended the Ballington Academy Career Fair to teach students about careers at the credit union



Brawley Branch Manager, Angie, at Witter School "Career on Wheels" event.



Ivana and Nubia from our Brawley Branch participated in the Hidalgo Elementary School "Readers are Leaders" event



Kyara and Grecia sharing information and promo items at the Imperial Market Days.

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Online Banking feature highlight:

High Risk Block

As valued members, you have access to many account features within Online Banking and the mobile app. However, not all actions are created equal. Some actions are more risky than others, such as Zelle transactions or updating your contact information.

To protect your account from potential threats, we've implemented a new feature called High Risk Block.

Here's how it works: If a transaction is flagged as High Risk, a block will be placed on the action. You'll then be prompted to contact us directly to remove the block. This extra step ensures that your account remains secure while providing the flexibility you need to manage your finances.

We appreciate your understanding and partnership in keeping your account safe. If you have any questions about this feature, feel free to reach out to our team!

Mark your Calendar

We will be closed on the following days:

Memorial Day

Monday, May 26

Juneteenth

Thursday, June 19

