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OHIO CREDIT UNIONS CONTINUE TO PUT PEOPLE FIRST

Foundation provides more than \$200,000 in member pandemic assistance

COLUMBUS, OH, December 28, 2020— As this year provides an uneven road to travel for many, the Ohio Credit Union Foundation is doing its part to make the ride easier for credit union members by distributing more than \$200,000 in individual grants for mortgage, grocery, and utility relief.

The Ohio Credit Union Foundation ensures every dollar contributed goes directly back to credit unions. In total, more than \$300,000 in grants were distributed to Ohio credit unions and their members this year. Of the grants fulfilled, 25 disaster relief grants related to the pandemic accounted for 60 percent of the funds.

“Ohioans are going through unprecedented times, and the Ohio Credit Union Foundation has the extraordinary ability to lend a hand when our members need it most. For more than 23 years, the mission of the foundation has been to empower individuals and strengthen credit unions through elevated knowledge, internal growth, and support in recovering from disasters, which now includes pandemic relief,” said Foundation Executive Director Kimberly Connor.

Relying solely on generous donations and a board of volunteers, the Ohio Credit Union Foundation made it possible for Ohio credit unions to meet their members where they were, providing much needed pandemic respite through mortgage, utility, and grocery assistance. “Credit unions put people first, and the Foundation channels that philosophy to make a difference for all individuals, families, and communities no matter what the world brings,” stated Connor.

An affiliate of the Ohio Credit Union League, the Ohio Credit Union Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable organization and its proceeds fund credit union programs, projects, and initiatives that financially empower individuals and strengthen cooperative financial services. To find out more or to make a tax-deductible contribution, visit the [Ohio Credit Union Foundation website](#).

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The Ohio Credit Union League, with offices in Columbus, is the state trade association representing the collective interests of 251 credit unions. Credit unions are not-for-profit financial institutions owned and democratically controlled by their members. Ohio credit unions provide savings, loans, and other consumer financial services to more than three million members.