

# Bank with WECU, Make a Difference

WINTER 2023 NEWSLETTER



## A Note From Jennifer



One of the best parts of being CEO of WECU is doing what is right in order to serve our members and our community. My focus is to actively listen to your feedback and translate that into a credit union experience that is seamless and straightforward - placing a premium on service and doing the right thing to earn your loyalty every day.

As a financial cooperative the income we generate is invested back into the organization to better serve you. We are proud to offer market-competitive rates, low fees, and new products, services and technology that will bring greater value to our membership. We are honored to give back to those who believe in the cooperative spirit of “people helping people.”

### **WECU IS THE PLACE TO SAVE**

This past Fall, WECU rolled out new savings product options. With these new options, we can confidently say that WECU is the place to save.

As we continue to find new ways to give back to our membership, we do so from a place of strength and stability. In 2023, WECU was recognized as the healthiest credit union in Washington State by Glatt

Consulting and the 19th healthiest credit union in the country by S&P Global Market Intelligence.

### **THE YEAR AHEAD**

As we look ahead, we know there is much uncertainty in our world, and many questions exist about what’s on our collective horizon. However, one thing is certain, WECU will continue to serve our members fairly and with an unwavering commitment to making a meaningful difference. On behalf of the WECU team, I’d like to thank you for your membership and trust in our cooperative.

Sincerely,

*Make it a meaningful day,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jennifer'.

**Jennifer Kutcher**

President/CEO

## News & Notes

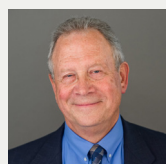


### EDUCATION FIRST APPLICATIONS

Every year, WECU donates \$125,000 to the Education First Grant Program recipients. Applications are now open to nonprofits seeking to further education in Whatcom and Skagit County.

Learn more [wecu.com/educationfirst](https://wecu.com/educationfirst).

### LONG-TIME BOARD MEMBER RETIRES



Harte Bressler has contributed to WECU's success in many ways throughout his 27 years of combined service on WECU's Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee including serving in various leadership roles

and committees. We thank Harte for his dedication and contributions to WECU – and wish him well in his retirement from WECU's Board of Directors!

### KEEP YOUR INFORMATION SAFE

Over the past year, data security has become an increasingly relevant topic in conversations with our members. Fraudsters are more aggressive than ever before in their attempts to compromise the data of bank and credit union customers across the country.

While WECU's website and online banking employ up-to-date industry-standard security controls, there is information you should know to protect yourself. Learn more by visiting [wecu.com/security](https://wecu.com/security).



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### ELECTIONS AT ANNUAL MEETING

WECU holds annual elections for its Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee at our Annual Meeting.

For more information about the candidates, visit [wecu.com/annual-meeting](https://wecu.com/annual-meeting).

The 2024 Annual Meeting will be held virtually on February 15 at 6 pm on Zoom. RSVPs will be accepted at [wecu.com/annual-meeting](https://wecu.com/annual-meeting) and through our Contact Center starting January 12 at 9 am. The meeting is open to members age 18 or older and in good standing with the Credit Union.

## Holiday Closures

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: **Monday, Jan 15**

Presidents' Day: **Monday, Feb 19**

## Member Benefits

### TURBO TAX

It's time to get a jump on the tax season. As a member of WECU, you can save up to \$15 on Turbo Tax products.

### COSTCO AUTO PROGRAM

Save money and make your next auto purchase a breeze. The Costco Auto Program provides members with pre-arranged pricing through select dealers. These perks are available when you finance your vehicle through [wecu.com](https://wecu.com).

Learn more at [wecu.com/member-benefits](https://wecu.com/member-benefits)