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# **August 2019 Newsletter**

## **Welcome New & Returning Members!**



Ascension CU
Gonzales, LA
Lloyd Cockerham, CEO



Premier America CU Chatsworth, CA Rudy Pereira, CEO

#### Full 2019 Inclusiv Conference Schedule Announced

Helping Members Save.
Combating Payday Lending.
Building Wealth through
Homeownership. Small Credit
Union Sustainability & Growth.
Creating New Opportunities with
the Juntos Avanzamos
Framework. Sharpen Your
Digital Strategy. These are just a
few of the relevant, informative
and engaging sessions you'll find
at the 2019 Inclusiv Conference
on September 16-18 in Los
Angeles!

Preview our exciting lineup of speakers, and learn more about sessions, hotel, sponsors, exhibitors, the site visit and more by visiting <a href="mailto:cvent.com/d/76qr7w">cvent.com/d/76qr7w</a>!





2019 Inclusiv Conference September 16-18, 2019 | Los Angeles, CA Omni Los Angeles Hotel at California Plaza

Team Inclusiv Attends AACUC's 21st Annual Conference in Charlotte



Team Inclusiv had a great time at the AACUC's 21st annual conference earlier this month in Charlotte, NC, where Inclusiv President/CEO Cathie Mahon was pleased to participate in the Women in Leadership Forum panel alongside 2019 AACUC Hall of Fame Inductee Joan Nelson, Board Chair of Coastal Credit Union; Kelli Holloway, VP – Member Education & Outreach, North Carolina State Employees CU; and Tracey Jackson, CCUFC, CFO, Delaware State Police FCU. Congratulations again to Joan and all of this year's honorees – fellow Hall of Fame inductees: SRP Federal Credit Union Board Chair Sandra DeVoe Bland; CUNA Mutual Group Sr. Sales Market Manager Janet McDonald (Janet B. M.); and Peach State Federal Credit Union Regional Business Exec. Ed Presnell - as well as this year's Pete Crear Lifetime Achievement Award winner, Maurice Smith, CEO of Local Government Federal Credit Union. Pictured L-R: Tracey Jackson, Cathie Mahon; Joan Nelson; Arlene Parker-Goldson, Associate Director of Community Impact at United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta; and Kelli Holloway.

# Meet the Candidates! 2019 Inclusiv Board Elections Open Aug 1st

Inclusiv is pleased to share with you the group of your esteemed colleagues who have been nominated for the five Inclusiv Board seats up for election this year. <u>Visit our website to read more about each candidate</u>.

Voting is open now and will end on Tuesday, September 17th at noon. We will once again be using Simply Voting, Inc. as our online voting provider for this year's elections. Each member of Inclusiv has a delegate and an alternate assigned, but we can only accept one vote per Inclusiv credit union member. Members will have received an email when voting opened on August 1st



with voter ID, password and instructions on how to access the Simply Voting platform and cast a ballot. An email with voting credentials also went out on Tuesday, August 13th. The new Inclusiv Board of Directors is announced at Inclusiv's Annual Conference, this year in Los Angeles, CA. Please contact Pamela Owens at <a href="mailto:powens@inclusiv.org">powens@inclusiv.org</a> with questions.

# CrediCentro Coop, Puerto Rico FCU and Coop Zeno Gandía Receive CDFI Designation from the Treasury Department







Join us in congratulating Inclusiv members
CrediCentro Coop, Puerto Rico Federal Credit Union
and Coop Zeno Gandia for this important
achievement. With their certification, the number
of cooperativas that are CDFI certified in Puerto
Rico increases to four, with several still in process.
The designation will allow these cooperativas to
receive public and private funding to increase their
community impact and bring much needed
economic activity to the island. These institutions

are part of a growing number of credit unions that are engaged in the the Puerto Rico CDFI Initiative, an Inclusiv program that aims to expand the capacity of the network of community owned financial cooperatives by promoting the adoption of the CDFI business model.

### Time to Renew for the 2019-20 Inclusiv Membership Year

Inclusiv's 2019-2020 membership year began on July 1st, 2019. On behalf of Inclusiv, the only network of credit unions with a mission of financial empowerment and inclusion, we thank every CDCU in the Inclusiv Network for your important role in continuing to propel the



#### Credit Union Network

community development credit union movement forward, and we invite you to reaffirm this commitment to financial inclusion and empowerment by renewing your Inclusiv membership today!

In addition to participation in the only U.S. network of credit unions with a mission of financial empowerment, Inclusiv members enjoy discounted registration rates for our Annual Conference; access to our <a href="Inclusiv/Capital">Inclusiv/Capital</a> and Mortgage Center products; innovative programs and products through <a href="Inclusiv/Communities">Inclusiv/Communities</a>; advocacy, technical assistance, trainings, and webinars as part of the <a href="Inclusiv/Network">Inclusiv/Network</a>; and cutting-edge technology solutions through <a href="Inclusiv/Technology">Inclusiv/Technology</a>. This year, as a free member benefit, Inclusiv provided assistance with the preparation and submission of CDFI Annual Certification Reports (ACRs) for more credit unions than ever before! We prepared ACRs for 114 CDCUs and continue to offer free CDFI eligibility assessments for our members on an annual basis. We look forward to assisting all of our CDFI certified members with their 2020 ACRs! To begin or continue receiving <a href="valuable benefits">valuable benefits</a> such as these and many more, please join us for the new membership year as a proud member of Inclusiv. For assistance or questions about <a href="Inclusiv membership">Inclusiv membership</a>, please contact Jules <a href="Inclusiv Epstein-Hebert">Epstein-Hebert</a>, Membership Program Officer at <a href="Inclusiv.org">Inclusiv.org</a>.

Special Hotel Rates Available at Millennium Biltmore Hotel



We have secured special hotel rates for Inclusiv Conference attendees at the historic Millennium Biltmore Los Angeles, located a short walk from the Omni Hotel, which is currently at capacity.

Visit cvent.com/d/76qr7w for details!

### **Inclusiv Meets with CUs & Cooperatives in Alabama**



Inclusiv's Cathie Mahon, Anna Foote and Pam Owens traveled to Birmingham, AL to meet with credit unions participating in our Southern rural credit union initiative for a breakfast discussion on Aug. 15th, followed by participating in Federation of Southern Cooperatives workshops and attending the Gala Dinner.

Inclusiv co-presented a workshop at the FSC Annual Meeting for organizing groups in Epes, AL on Friday, Aug. 16th, and also held a roundtable discussion with credit unions on the topic of growth and sustainability.

# **Training & Funding Opportunities for Credit Unions**

#### CFPB's Your Money, Your Goals Cohort Training

If your organization serves economically vulnerable populations and you're interested in gaining training and technical assistance for your consumer financial empowerment efforts, you can apply for the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's Your Money, Your Goals 2020 cohort. Learn more: go.usa.gov/xyfvq.

#### **NCUA Mentoring Grants for Small Low-Income MDI Credit Unions**

The National Credit Union Administration is offering grants of up to \$25,000 for a new pilot mentoring program for small low-income credit unions that are also designated as minority depository institutions. The <a href="mailto:new program">new program</a> will make three to five targeted technical assistance grants to help these small institutions establish mentoring programs with larger low-income, MDI credit unions that can provide expertise and guidance in serving low-income and underserved populations.

The NCUA will accept grant applications from **Aug. 18 through Sept. 28**. Interested credit unions can find applications through the agency's **CyberGrants portal**. Staff from the NCUA's Office of Credit Union Resources and Expansion will be available to answer questions about the pilot program through **Sept. 25**. Credit unions should submit questions to staff by email to **CUREAPPS@ncua.gov**.

Need assistance or grant application support? Inclusiv member CDCUs are encouraged to contact us at <a href="network@inclusiv.org">network@inclusiv.org</a>.

### Member News: Missoula FCU Changes Name to Clearwater FCU

Inclusiv member Missoula Federal Credit Union is changing its name so it can grow to serve its members even better and bring what its members love about MFCU to more Montanans. On September 3, they will begin operating under the legal name Clearwater Federal Credit



Union and Clearwater Credit Union in public-facing marketing name and logo. Please join us in congratulating Clearwater on this exciting new chapter! Their new web address and emails will use **clearwatercreditunion.org**, but missoulafcu.org emails will continue to function. For more details about the change visit <a href="https://missoulafcu.org/clearwater">https://missoulafcu.org/clearwater</a>.

Does your CDCU have news to share? Send member credit union news and announcements that you'd like to see featured in our next newsletter to <a href="mailto:network@inclusiv.org">network@inclusiv.org</a>.

# **Career Opportunities**

Posting of positions on the <u>Inclusiv Careers page</u> is free for all Inclusiv members. To submit, modify or remove a listing, please contact us at <u>info@inclusiv.org</u>.

#### **Inclusiv Job Openings**

- Communications Officer (New York, NY)
- Development Associate (New York, NY)

#### **Member CDCU Job Opening**

Opportunities Credit Union -- President & CEO (Winooski, VT)

#### **About Inclusiv**

At Inclusiv, we believe that true financial inclusion and empowerment is a fundamental right. We dedicate ourselves to closing the gaps and removing barriers to financial opportunities for people living in distressed and underserved communities. Inclusiv is a certified CDFI intermediary that transforms local progress into lasting national change. We provide capital, make connections, build capacity, develop innovative products and services and advocate for our member community development credit unions (CDCUs). Inclusiv members serve over nine million residents of low-income urban, rural and reservation-based communities across the US and hold over \$99 billion in

community-controlled assets. Founded in 1974, Inclusiv is headquartered in New York, NY, with offices in Madison, WI and Atlanta, GA. For more information about Inclusiv visit us at <a href="Inclusiv.org">Inclusiv.org</a> and connect with us on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="LinkedIn">LinkedIn</a> and <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>.

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