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CU SOCAL AWARDS \$500 TO WHITTIER SCHOOLS FOR PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL YOUTH SAVINGS MONTH

CU SoCal Partners With Whittier Elementary Schools To Encourage Wise Saving Habits

Whittier, CA—In celebration of National Youth Savings Month this April, [Credit Union of Southern California \(CU SoCal\)](#) partnered with Orchard Dale Elementary School and Scott Avenue Elementary School in Whittier, California to help educate students on the importance of saving money. Each student was challenged to complete a work packet designed to enhance the student's understanding of savings accounts, budgets, interest, and debt.

On Thursday, April 16, Melissa Manning, CU SoCal Community Education Manager, and Jennifer Collaso, CU SoCal Business Development Representative, awarded each school with a check for \$250 in honor of their 100% participation achievement.

"CU SoCal is honored to partner with these dynamic schools to help encourage wise money management in today's youth," stated Manning. "We are very proud of all of the students for completing their assignments and are excited about their future saving habits."

CU SoCal also hosts CU SoCal Savings Days on each campus once a month. Through this unique program, third- through fifth-grade students are empowered to act as ambassadors of the credit union to accept savings account deposits from their fellow students.

"At CU SoCal, we believe in building better lives and creating brighter futures by empowering our communities with the knowledge and tools they need to achieve their goals," stated Michelle Hunter, CU SoCal Senior Vice President of Marketing and Development. "We hope programs such as CU SoCal Savings Days and National Youth Savings month make a positive difference and increase opportunities for these students today and in their future."

About Credit Union of Southern California (CU SoCal)

Founded in 1954 as Whittier Area Schools Federal Credit Union, CU SoCal has a five-star financial rating from BauerFinancial, a nationally recognized independent research firm. Today, CU SoCal has more than \$960 million in assets and is dedicated to Building Better Lives for its nearly 78,000 Member-Owners through World-Class Service, competitive products, and convenience. Membership is open to those who live, work, worship, or attend school in Orange County, San Gabriel Valley, the cities connecting those geographic areas, as well as Chino, Chino Hills, Ontario, Pomona and San Bernardino. For more information, visit www.CUSoCal.org.



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