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## California Credit Union Looking to Fund Innovative Teacher Projects

\*\* Credit Union Encourages Los Angeles County Teachers to Apply for a Class Project Grant \*\*

*Los Angeles, CA – March 16, 2021 –* California Credit Union is inviting all Los Angeles County teachers who have an innovative class project idea to apply for a credit union grant through its bi-annual Teacher Grant program.

The California Credit Union program is available to full-time teachers in Los Angeles and Orange County or credit union members teaching in California who are looking to fund special classroom and/or virtual learning opportunities for their students. The project should have clearly defined learning objectives tied to students' academic needs, display creativity, and benefit a significant number of students. Ten California Credit Union grants of \$500 each will be awarded to area teachers in May in the spring program.

"We were founded to serve the education community, and we can't think of a better way to continue that commitment than helping teachers provide an exciting learning opportunity for their students, particularly with the challenges of virtual and hybrid learning," said California Credit Union President/CEO Steve O'Connell. "We hope this program will make it a little easier for educators to make a difference in the lives of our students, and encourage any teacher who has an innovative project idea to apply for one of our grants."

Interested teachers can find more information and apply online at <u>ccu.com/teachergrant</u>. The application deadline is April 23, 2021.

Since the creation of the program in 2012, California Credit Union has awarded \$125,000 in teacher grants to benefit students across Southern California. Schools benefiting from last year's program used the funds towards STEAM engineering and robotics programs, a survival book and supporting technologies and tools for virtual learning, at-home science kits, a school-wide mosaic initiative, and sensory bins for special needs students, among many others

## About California Credit Union

California Credit Union is a federally insured, state chartered credit union founded in 1933 that serves public or private school employees, community members and businesses across California. With more than 165,000 members and assets of nearly \$4 billion, California Credit Union has 25 branches throughout Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties. The credit union operates in San Diego County as North Island Credit Union, a division of California Credit Union. California Credit Union offers a full suite of consumer, business and investment products and services, including comprehensive consumer checking and Ioan options, personalized financial planning, business banking, and leading-edge online and mobile banking. Visit ccu.com for more information, or follow the credit union on Instagram® or Facebook® @CaliforniaCreditUnion.