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Top Workplace Video Showcases GLCU as a Community Employer

At GLCU, we're both proud and honored to have been named a Top Workplace in the Financial Services Industry by Energage, a purpose-driven organization that develops solutions to build and brand Top Workplaces. In an ongoing effort to spread the word about <u>working at GLCU</u>, click below to watch the second video in a series featuring employees speaking about the culture and atmosphere at GLCU.





Thanks for Coming to GLCU's FaBOOlous Community Event

Hosting a spirited Trunk or Treat community event last month, GLCU employees joined local organizations to hand out treats for the kids at our <u>North Chicago</u> branch. Complete with a face painter, prizes, giveaways, music and more, GLCU employees mingled with local families and vendors, including the North Chicago Public Library, Youth Build, Foss Park District, and more.



GLCU Hosts Community Coat Drive

GLCU is thrilled to partner with <u>Cradles to Crayons</u> for this year's winter coat drive! From now through November 30, all <u>GLCU branches</u> are collecting new or gently used coats and winter gear for men, women, or children. Please consider donating to help keep our communities warm this winter!

If you are in need of coats or winter gear, please click <u>here</u> for a list of partner organizations that are providing the donations to those in need.



Holiday Savings Accounts Deposits Available Now

If you have a Holiday Savings account from GLCU, your funds were deposited into your designated checking or savings account on November 1, so you can start your shopping with the money you saved all year long! Interested in saving for next year's holiday season, but don't have an account? Open a Holiday Savings account now with just \$1 and earn dividends on your balance.



Thank you for being a valued member of GLCU!



November Member Appreciation Days

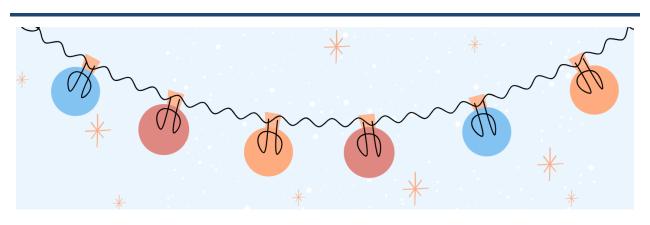
At GLCU, we are so grateful for your loyal membership! To show our appreciation, stop by your <u>local branch</u> and pick up a few "I am thankful cards" on Thursday and Friday, November 21-22. You can write a special message to someone special in your life to let them know you appreciate them. While you're in the branch, enter to win a \$25 Amazon gift card!



Emergency Rental Assistance Funding Still Available

If you're in eviction court because you're behind in your rent, at risk of becoming homeless, or suffering financial hardship due to COVID-19, we can help. Our <u>GLCU Foundation for Financial Empowerment's</u> Housing and Financial Counseling Team, comprised of certified HUD-counselors, are experienced in helping members apply for funds to bring you current with your rental payments, and back to housing stability.





Ho Ho Holiday Giveback - Enter to Win \$250!

GLCU wants to make your holidays a little brighter. In the spirit of bankingfor a greater good, GLCU is giving back to our members. From November 12December 6, simply share what an extra \$250 would mean to you and youcould be one of the 20 lucky winners of our Holiday Giveback!

Learn More



GLCU Expands CU Kind Day to an Entire Week of Volunteering

In celebration of CU Kind Day on October 14, GLCU expanded its efforts to a Week of Volunteering where 146 GLCU employees volunteered 500 hours at 15 local organizations over the course of 20 events. Thank you to our employees and partners for making the week such a success and embracing the "people helping people" philosophy! GLCU volunteered with organizations such as United Way Lake County, Keeping Families Covered, Northern Illinois Food Bank and many more.

Watch Video



Make Small Business Saturday Part of Your Holiday Shopping Plan

As you prepare your holiday shopping lists, be sure to embrace the spirit of shopping local on Small Business Saturday, November 30. Small Business Saturday is a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities. To find a list of local small businesses, consider visiting your local chamber of commerce. GLCU is proud to be a member of 15 chambers of commerce and encourages you to shop small!

GIINGTUESDAY

Mark Your Calendar for Giving Tuesday

<u>Giving Tuesday</u>, one of the biggest give-back days of the year, is just a few weeks away! This year you can join in the movement and support financial empowerment with a donation to the <u>GLCU Foundation for Financial</u> <u>Empowerment</u>. You'll directly help us provide valuable resources, education, and tools for individuals striving to secure their financial future.





GLCU in the Community

Here are a few of the community outreach efforts GLCU has coming up in November:

November 12 & 13 - We are hosting Bite of Reality financial education sessions for Zion-Benton Township High School and the Youth Conservation Corps.

November 16 - Visit us at the Crystal Lake Home Expo.



Join Us for Our Upcoming Webinar

Financing Your Education Webinar

Attend our upcoming webinar on college financial planning. We'll provide guidance on securing financial aid, researching scholarship opportunities, exploring alternative funding sources, and developing effective college savings strategies.

> Saturday, November 16 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Virtual Event REGISTER

We're growing and excited to serve you at our newest locations! Visit our GLCU <u>branches</u> today.

