

FINANCIAL FOCUS

Spring 2024

First City's Unwavering Commitment:

Empowering Education, Wellness, and Financial Success Together







To our Valued Members,



At First City, our dedication extends beyond serving your financial needs; we are committed to making a meaningful impact in the neighborhoods we call home. Allow me to share some memorable moments from our recent endeavors:

Claremont High School Wolfpack Invitational Speech and Debate Tournament: Our volunteers thoroughly enjoyed supporting this event, which hosted over 500 student competitors from various Southern California schools. Ensuring the smooth operation of the tournament and providing support to the 200 volunteer judges was a gratifying experience. Witnessing the spirit of collaboration among the participants was truly heartwarming. We take pride in supporting initiatives that promote education, critical thinking, and public speaking skills among our youth.

Lakewood Run: This event, organized by the Lakewood Sheriff's Station and Soroptimist International, served as a platform to come together as a community and celebrate health, wellness, and unity. Rain or shine, our presence demonstrated that at First City, everyone is valued and belongs. It's moments like these that emphasize the power of community and the significance of collective efforts in making a difference.

The LAGMC Pop-up Branch: To honor the dedicated staff at the Los Angeles General Medical Center, we established a pop-up branch at the Inpatient Tower Employee Cafeteria. Our team is available every Tuesday and Friday to provide assistance with banking needs, aiming to make banking more convenient and accessible for our heroes.

In addition to these community engagements, I'm thrilled to announce our partnership with GreenPath Financial Wellness, a reputable non-profit organization with extensive experience in empowering individuals toward financial success. Through this partnership, our members gain access to personalized services, including financial counseling, debt management plans, housing services, credit report reviews, and student loan counseling.

As we continue our journey together, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your unwavering support, enthusiasm, and dedication. Let's continue to uplift and empower one another as we strive to create a brighter future for all.

Thank You Cheryl & Mercedes for Supporting Enterprise Car Sales!



A very special thanks to Cheryl Dacpano-Servano from our branch in Claremont! Cheryl referred Mercedes Martinez to Enterprise Car Sales where she and her son purchased a 2020 Nissan Altima. They were happy with their overall experience when buying with Enterprise reps Jose Visoso and Samuel Morfin! Thank you, Cheryl, for your hard work on behalf or our members and for sending Mercedes to Enterprise Car Sales. You too can have a great car-buying experience by visiting firstcitycu.org/borrowing/auto/auto-buying-services/.





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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE



May 22, 2024, 5 PM via Zoom Members are invited to attend First City's 87th Annual Members' Meeting, to be held Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at 5 PM, via a virtual Zoom meeting. Signups to attend the meeting will be on our website beginning May 1, 2024.

Applications for open position(s) are now closed. The credit union's Nominating Committee has nominated incumbent members Dr. Michael Steinberger and Marisa Lopez for three-year terms on the Board of Directors and incumbent member Redina Adams for a three-year term on the Supervisory Committee. All have expressed an interest in continuing their service to the credit union.

Applications received prior to the April 1, 2024 deadline are under review by the Nominating Committee.

If you need help or have questions, call 800.944.2200 or stop by a local branch today. We're here to help!

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UPCOMING HOLIDAYS OBSERVED

Memorial Day: May 27, 2024

Juneteenth: June 19, 2024

Independence Day: July 4, 2024

Locations in: Antelope Valley, Claremont, L.A. General Medical Center, Lakewood, Los Angeles, Pasadena, & West Covina



