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Good News Recap

"Santa Frauds": How Credit Unions Can Protect Members During the Holiday Season

"Soon bells will be ringing, and the musical sounds of the holiday season will be upon us. It will be a time of joy, giving, and celebration. Unfortunately however, it will also be prime time for scammers to take advantage of people's generosity and festive spirit. These holiday scams referred to as "Santa Frauds," can lead to financial losses, stolen personal information, and shattered holiday dreams." As trusted financial institutions, credit unions play a vital role in safeguarding their members from these malicious schemes. In this article, we'll explore common Santa Frauds and outline how credit unions can help protect their members during this joyous, but vulnerable time.

Highlight 1

"Pelican State CU provided immense financial relief to 39 members by paying a total of \$300K worth of their personal debt. The Pelican Pays Debt Program is a deeper commitment to the promise that it pays to be a Pelican member. The program is one of the many ways Pelican is fulfilling its mission to make a difference in its communities by providing accessible financial solutions for individuals and families..."

Highlight 2

"A Phoenix credit union was named by Healthiest Employers as the healthiest workplace in the US. OneAZ CU, which houses its corporate office near 23rd Avenue and Pinnacle Peak Road, won the national award after finishing in the top 10 the previous three years. Founded in 1951, the credit union has 20 branches across Arizona, 528 full-time employees, more than 200K members and manages more than \$3.4 billion in assets."

Highlight 3

Addition Financial CU, Orange County Public Schools, The Early Learning Coalition of Orange County, and Junior Achievement announced this week that AdventHealth for Children is joining their partnership to help expand the ADDing FUNdamentals Financial Literacy Program. Seven new childcare centers and schools, including 11 new classrooms are being added to the unique financial literacy program for pre-school children."