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or more trips across the state were made to visit with credit unions in 2024. These helped us connect over common challenges, opportunities, and left-handedness.



personal finance and **board resource** blogs were published, providing relevant and timely information in bite-sized pieces.



Our 17 communities learned (and usually laughed) together during 550+ hours of community meetings.

# **IN 2025**

We're looking forward to expanding on the success and momentum of our **Advocacy** Champions and Fraud Communities. Learn more.

### **ENGAGEMENT SURVEY**

In Q2, we surveyed 466 credit union employees to find out how important the work we do was to them, how satisfied they were with the work MCU is doing, and how engaged they are with MCU programs, services, and staff.

**78%** 

told us our work was

"important" or "very important"

rated themselves "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with MCU"s work

said they regularly engaged with MCU

indicated they feel "comfortable" or "very comfortable" contacting staff

When we work together, everyone wins!

\$30,754 was raised for MCUCD

Six graduated 968 accounts have saved from the 2024 **\$790,647** through the FiCEP program WINcentive program

\$30,139 was donated to Shodair Children's Hospital through CU4Kids a record-setting year!

### Advocacy in action!

MCU secured a contract with the **Taylor Luther Group** for lobbying efforts, while the **Be Wild Conference** emphasized the crucial role of advocacy in promoting credit unions. Additionally, PAC fundraising efforts resulted in **\$14,486** for MT CUAC and **\$16,625** for America's Credit Unions PAC.



We shared over 50 Credit Union Difference stories with over 3,275 followers across five social media platforms and our newsletter.

"There is no doubt that every credit union in Montana has numerous examples of outstanding community support, and MCU has a terrific platform to highlight these efforts. In sharing our own stories, each one of us can inspire and encourage each other and really push this movement forward. We always appreciate the chance to see what everyone else is doing to positively impact their communities." ~Josh Kroll, VP Marketing, Park Side CU

professionals completed one of **six** Personify Leadership® trainings — PLUS 37 participated in two custom sessions.

In 2025, we're introducing Experiential Facilitation and Deep Dive!

"Montana's Credit Unions is my "go-to" for **education**. conferences, compliance, advocacy, vendors, and networking opportunities.

I trust MCU's stellar staff to help my team and me reach our goals."

~Darci Parsons, President/CEO, Ravalli County CU

thought leaders helped in-person event attendees learn

networking hours were spent with peers and our problem-solving partners



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Did you take advantage of our partnership with the Tennessee League for discounted virtual IRA Training? Look for more in 2025.

### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Our compliance hotline received over 550 contacts. 19 training presentations were

presented to 13 credit unions. We distributed 12 Compliance Vault newsletters to 200+ people and sent **13** BSA/OFAC emails to **325** people across the state.

We also hosted a webinar meet and greet with TruStage CEO Terrance Williams.

**IN 2025** 

We're looking forward to:

- HR Suite Plus product (for our <\$150m CUs)
- InfoSight360 product and electronic lien filing



## MCUL GROUP BENEFITS TRUST

In 2024, the MCUL Group Benefit Trust helped members manage their health and financial costs through:

- Five unique health plans, two dental and vision options, three group life options and STD, LTD, and voluntary products of Life, Accident, Critical Illness, and Hospital Indemnity protections
- \$265,000 in saved prescription costs
- Free Biometric Screenings at 33 sites across Montana
- Free mental health support
- Free telemedicine, remote, physical therapy, and health coaching
- Free access to Cancer Expert to ask about screenings, new or existing diagnosis, procedures and surgeries, and more
- Free access to advocates for employees approaching retirement to understand Medicare and Social Security



The Trust conducted an extensive RFP process and reviewed seven potential vendors to find a new third-party claims administrator who would help grow the Trust with a national provider network partner.



We offered **FREE** member education through 52 unique Trust Tip emails, open enrollment education, and our MCUL Trust website.

Once again, our annual Collaboration in Wellness Conference was wildly successful.

"Our health insurance trust is so much more than just medical insurance. We have a dedicated team that is trying to take care of our 'whole' lives and not just treat symptoms and give us a pill to take." ~one event attendee