

# Financial Focus



At Firelands FCU, we want to give you the tools, resources, and strategies to help you succeed financially. This summer, keep your spending in check by following these five budgeting tips:

- 1. Calculate your spending. You can do this by figuring out how much money you spend on bills, groceries, and other essential items and then subtracting that total amount from your monthly income. From there, you will be able to see how much money you have to spend or save once your essentials are taken care of.
- 2. Consider direct deposit options. Before you spend that leftover allowance, decide how much you want to save for the future and deposit that into your bank account right away. You can do this at any time by setting up either one-time or recurring transfers in Online or Mobile Banking.
- **3. Set limits and goals.** The amount of money spent on nights out or gifts for friends can add up. While it may be fun to do every once in a while, setting limits on these

occurrences can help you save big. As you turn down these dinner dates, remind yourself that what you're really doing is saying "yes" to one of your longer-term goals. Being able to say "no" to expenses will help keep your budget going strong.

- 4. Review your periodic account statement.
  Like most other financial institutions,
  Firelands FCU sends all of our members
  a periodic account statement. These
  statements show how much money is in
  your account, if you made a deposit or
  withdrawal, and how much of a dividend
  is paid year-to-date. Reviewing these
  statements helps detect potentially
  fraudulent transactions and allows you to
  track your spending habits in one simple
  place. (WAMTETH E ANEKEG)
- 5. Treat yourself when you reach your goals.
  Luckily, budgeting isn't just about discipline.
  It's a tool to help you reach your goals
  and get to the life that you want to live. By
  rewarding yourself with something small,
  you can turn budgeting into an activity and
  get the urge to spend out of the way.

#### Cedar Point

#### Member Discounts on Cedar Point & Cedar Point Shores Tickets!

As a member of Firelands Federal Credit Union, you may purchase discounted Cedar Point and Cedar Point Shores tickets online using Firelands FCU's username and password below. Online ticket prices may vary from time to time, so check back often for good deals! (LLISEE M MUETHD)

For online ticket sales:
Visit www.cedarpoint.com/
affiliate

**Username: FIRELANDSFCU** 

Password: ffcu

# Progress Report as of 5/31/2021

Loans	\$234,791,277
Shares	
Assets	
Members	33,394



Read this newsletter carefully! If you find your name scrambled in parentheses, you've won \$25.00. Stop by your local Firelands Federal Credit Union office or give us a call to collect your money.

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Mon., July 5 - Fourth of July Mon., September 6 - Labor Day (SORCHHTIERP J IRLEML)

## Congratulations Class of 2021!

As an advocate for continued education, the Firelands FCU Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2021 Firelands FCU Scholarship Program.

This year, Firelands FCU has happily awarded nine scholarships for a total amount of \$14,000.

The nine recipients, chosen from among many applicants, will each receive \$1,500-\$2,000 based on the type of scholarship awarded. Recipients include the following graduating seniors from area high schools.

#### Member Scholarship \$1,500:

- ✓ Madyson Morris, Margaretta, planning to attend Cleveland State or Youngstown State University
- ✓ Morgan Baxter, Norwalk St. Paul, planning to attend the University of Findlay
- ✓ Spencer Colish-Patrick, Norwalk, planning to attend The Ohio State University
- ✓ Elliana Schaefer, Margaretta, planning to attend Keiser University
- ✓ Samuel Rager, Bucyrus, planning to attend Stanford University
- planning to attend Blackhawk College

Ivan J. Garman Memorial Scholarship \$2,000

✓ Curtis Royster II, Bellevue, planning to attend Bowling Green State University

#### **Employee Dependent** Scholarship \$1,500:

- ✓ Sydney Grace Meisler, Monroeville, planning to attend Bowling Green State University
- ✓ Presley Feltner, Willard, planning to attend Tiffin University

The Firelands FCU scholarship committee chose these recipients based on community involvement, leadership, and academic achievement.

"As we read through this year's applications, we were incredibly impressed at how hard-working and motivated these individuals are, said Brett Montague, Firelands FCU's President/CEO. "We are honored to help these students reach their higher education goals.' (EAUZNSN R EASNSDR)

To learn about more ways Firelands FCU gives back, visit www.firelandsfcu.org.

### Firelands FCU Members Receive \$142,500 in Down Payment Assistance!

Firelands Federal Credit Union, in cooperation with the Federal Home Loan Bank, was pleased to present 27 qualified buyers up to \$5,000 each in down payment assistance this spring. Watch for details next spring as the FHLB makes these funds available again. (OILEES S WSIOSGHTR)









Did you know you can SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT for many of our services online at www.firelandsfcu.org? (HOYTMIT A ELTEDZI)



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