



Member Profile | Kingston Community Credit Union (KCCU)

KCCU is a rapidly-growing member-owned financial co-operative (a credit union) that supports members and organizations and businesses in the Greater Kingston community.

KCCU was founded in 1957 as the Kingston Civic Employees Credit Union and it became an open-bond community credit union in 1974 serving the public expanding its bond from just east of the town of Gananoque to just west of the town of Napanee to the west and northerly up to Highway 7.

KCCU has been an ardent supporter of co-operatives offering co-ops and non-profits free banking for the last twenty plus years to assist in the promotion of organizations the community relies on.

KCCU has given back over \$1.4 Million in profit sharing to its 13,000 members. In addition to profit sharing, KCCU has donated in cash and in kind over \$1 Million to the local community charitable organizations to assist with healthcare, the arts, equality, social justice, environmental causes and local economic development. Frequently KCCU staff can be found volunteering at local community events supporting causes that make Kingston and the surrounding area a better place to live.

Over the years KCCU has donated over \$300,000 to Kingston General Hospital, \$100,000 to Kingston Community Health Centres, \$60,000 to The Muscular Dystrophy Association and over \$200,000 in staff and corporate donations to the United Way. A strong supporter of Central1 Credit Union's "CUs are helping here" program, examples of causes KCCU supports include ground level support for the Kingston Canadian Film Festival, The Kingston Regional Arts Council, The Association of Kingston Women Artists, The Humane Society, Dawn House, Lovin' Spoonful, The Kingston symphony, The Kingston School of Art, The Partners in Mission Foodbank, The University Hospitals Kingston Foundation, On Co-op, The Credit Union Charitable Foundation and notably, KCCU's own programs such as The Leadership Through Co-operation Scholarship and KCCU Christmas Caring Program, both of which have been operating for the past 25 plus years and so many more charities than can be mentioned here.

The goal of KCCU is to be the primary service provider in our local area while enhancing the lives of the members and member organizations in our community. This year, KCCU is excited to promote the Co-operative Young Leaders Camp (CYL) and to engage our community members in sending their child to meet with other like-minded individuals who see a different, more co-operative, more egalitarian, more co-operative future.

If you have a signature community project that is in need of financing, please contact KCCU at kccu@kccu.ca. Learn more about KCCU by visiting [our website](#).

