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Join Us for Our 2024 Annual Meeting!

Get ready for an event you won't want to miss! It's your chance to:

- ✓ Gain insights into our achievements and initiatives throughout the past year.
- ✓ Learn about exciting plans and developments for the future.
- ✓ Engage with fellow members and our leadership team.

This is more than just a meeting—it's a celebration of our community and our shared goals. Mark your calendars and spread the word. We can't wait to see you there!



2025 Annual Meeting Sunday, April 27, 2025

> The Venue at Coosa Landing 201 George Wallace Drive Gadsden, AL 35903

Registration: 1:00 PM CST Meeting Begins: 2:00 PM CST

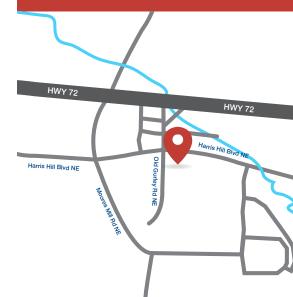
Trailhead Welcome to the Laure

Exciting news—our brand-new branch is coming soon to Trailhead Food City in Huntsville! Designed with you in mind, this location will offer a fresh, modern banking experience with convenience in mind. Stop by when we open to see the space, say hello, and experience a new way to bank. Bring a friend—we can't wait to welcome you!



New Branch
OPENING
APRIL 30

Trailhead Food City
150 Old Gurley Road NE
Huntsville, AL



Introducing



Credit Union Partner's

Helping Hands Foundation

The Credit Union Partner's Helping Hands Foundation (CUPHHF) is a partnership between Emblem Credit Union and Family Savings Credit Union. The foundation's purpose is to increase the overall impact of our credit unions by helping others in the communities we serve. The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama will be managing the CUPHHF, accepting online applications and distributing funds from CUPHHF. Decisions for donation requests will be based on an application scoring system established by the CUPHHF. The foundation will operate with an advisory committee made up of representatives from both credit unions and will follow eligibility and funding requirements outlined below.

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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

(All requirements must be met)

- Live in an area served by one of the two credit unions
- Are either over 60, or disabled or low income or handicapped, and
- Have an immediate need due to local disaster, emergency or have an unmet need

AREAS OF FUNDING INCLUDE:

- Home repair that corrects a health hazard
- Home repair that assists individuals with disabilities
- Immediate food or shelter need not met by any other agency
- Immediate health care need not met by another agency

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10 Ways to Save on Spring Break

It's been a long winter semester and spring is finally here! If you're dreaming of a luxury springtime getaway, but your budget didn't get the memo, we can help. Here are 10 ways to save on spring break for the vacation of your dreams that doesn't break the budget.

- 1. Set a realistic budget and stick to it. Before your trip, outline all potential expenses, including travel, lodging, food, activities and souvenirs. Then, set a realistic budget for each spending category. Having a clear budget will help you manage your spending and ensure you don't return home with unexpected debt.
- 2. Choose budget-friendly destinations. Vacation hotspots tend to be overpriced, but with some flexibility, you can find the perfect spring break destination without draining your wallet. For example, you can choose to visit a quaint cultural city instead of the typical beach resorts. Spend some time researching prices to find a perfect destination that delivers all you want in a vacation while still being affordable.



3. Book early and be flexible. Securing your travel and accommodations well in advance and being flexible with your travel dates can net you better deals. Airlines and hotels often offer lower rates for



early bookings, and mid-week flights are typically cheaper than weekend ones. If you're up for it, redeye flights can also be more affordable.

- **4. Travel in a group.** Traveling with friends or family so you can split costs on accommodations, transportation and meals can save you boatloads of money and up the fun factor on your vacation at the same time.
- **5. Consider alternative accommodations.** Instead of traditional hotels, explore options like hostels, vacation rentals or staying with friends or family. Platforms like Airbnb offer a range of affordable



lodging choices that can accommodate various group sizes and preferences. Be sure to research your chosen rental carefully to avoid getting scammed.

- 6. Use student discounts. Many travel companies, attractions and restaurants offer special discounts for students. Always carry your student ID and ask about available discounts. Websites like StudentUniverse can be enormously helpful in providing discounted rates for students on flights and accommodations.
- 7. Plan and budget for meals. Food expenses can quickly add up during a trip. The best way to avoid blowing your entire vacation budget on food is to plan ahead. First, if your vacation spot has cooking facilities, prepare some basic meals on your own. You can also look for local eateries, food trucks or markets where you can enjoy authentic cuisine at lower prices. Finally, set a daily food budget for meals each day to help prevent overspending.
- 8. Pack smartly to avoid extra fees. Getting hit with an unexpected checked baggage fee is not the best way to kick off your vacation. Packing lightly and using only a carry-on can help you avoid these fees. Similarly, be sure to pack all the stuff you'll need so you don't end up having to purchase overpriced essentials at your destination.





AMERICA SAVES WEEK

APRIL 7 - 11, 2025

CELEBRATE AMERICA SAVES WEEK

DEPOSIT \$100 OR MORE INTO YOUR SAVINGS ACCOUNT

APRIL 7TH - 11TH

FOR A CHANCE TO WIN AN

APPLE WATCH SERIES 10



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10. Monitor travel deals and use rewards. Sign up for newsletters from airlines and travel deal websites to stay informed about promotions. Using credit card rewards or frequent flyer miles can also help bring down travel costs. Use these tips to save on spring break for the vacation of a lifetime!

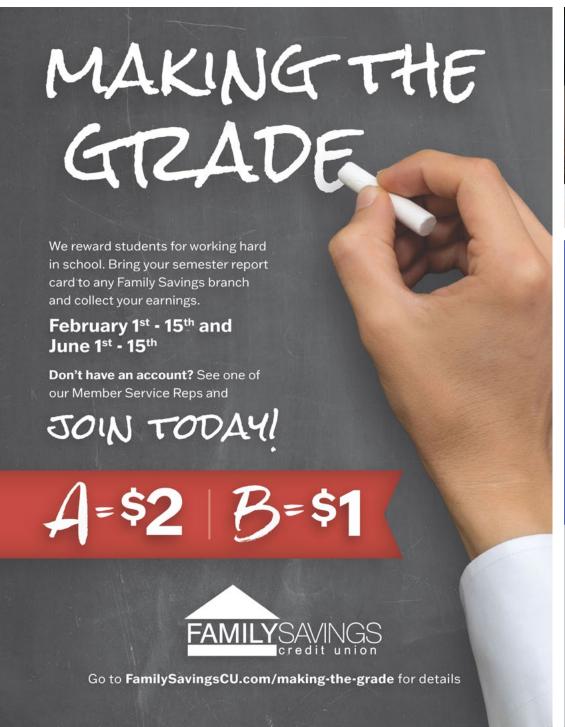
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2025 Holiday Hours

Good Friday April 18

Memorial Day

May 26

Juneteenth June 19

4th of July July 4

Labor Day September 1

Columbus Day October 13

Thanksqiving November 27-28

Christmas Eve December 24

Christmas Day December 25

New Years Eve

December 31

Call Center Hours 888-311-3728 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:30 am - 5:00 pm CT

Wednesday 7:30 am - 3:00 pm CT

Financials As of February 28, 2025

Assets	\$1,098,905,401
Loans	\$893,804,395
Shares	\$935,112,520
Members	77,174

Branch Locations:

Albertville at Food City 7200 US Highway 431 Albertville, AL 35950

Fort Payne at Food City 1015 Gault Avenue South Fort Payne, AL 35967

Gadsden - Main Office 711 East Meighan Boulevard Gadsden, AL 35903

Oxford 162 Industrial Drive Oxford, AL 36203

Owens Cross Roads at Food City 7060 US Highway 431 South

Owens Cross Roads, AL 35763

Rainbow City 3003 2nd Street Rainbow City, AL 35906

Scottsboro 24661 John T. Reid Parkway Scottsboro, AL 35768

Trailhead at Food City 150 Gurley Road NE Huntsville, AL 35811

Cartersville - East 3 Rvan Boulevard Cartersville, GA 30121

Cartersville - West 205 Douthit Ferry Road Cartersville, GA 30120

Calhoun 1273 Curtis Parkway Calhoun, GA 30701

Hiram 342 Charles Hardy Parkway Hiram. GA 30141

Rockmart 101 Felton Drive Rockmart, GA 30153

Rome at **Walmart Supercenter** 2510 Redmond Circle NW Rome, GA 30165