



**Credit Union
Central of Canada**

Credit Union Day Greetings

Credit Unions and Co-operatives ... Own Your Future®

It's a pleasure as we celebrate Co-op Week (October 14-20) and International Credit Union Day (October 18) to highlight the many contributions that credit unions and co-operatives make to Canada and to the lives of millions of people around the world.

Again this year the theme is Own Your Future and co-operatives and credit unions have helped millions of people reach this goal.

For many decades people have been coming together in co-operation to confront common challenges in all parts of Canada and all sectors of the economy.

Today more than 10.8 million Canadians are member/owners of credit unions and caisses populaires, who enjoy the benefits of belonging to a financial services organization that puts people before profits.

Co-ops and credit unions have found ways to successfully compete in the marketplace by focusing on the values and principles that are at their core. Canadians truly appreciate the co-op difference.

Through co-operatives and credit unions, people are accomplishing together what they cannot do alone. They are taking ownership of their future, for themselves, for their families and for their communities.

We can all celebrate the accomplishments of such a resourceful and dedicated movement worldwide. On behalf of Credit Union Central of Canada, we extend our sincerest best wishes on International Credit Union Day.

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