



Louisiana Credit Union League

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2010 CULAC Contributions Leave Louisiana Credit Unions on Top

(HARAHAN, La.) – For the second year in a row, Louisiana leads the nation with contributions to Credit Union Legislative Action Committee (CULAC). Through efforts made by credit union professionals and volunteers in 2010, we raised a total of \$118,111 and achieved the highest percentage of our CULAC goal among all state leagues. The vast majority of this amount gets submitted to the National Political Action Committee with the remainder staying here at the state level. This year, we submitted a grand total of \$110,293.94, which is approximately 378% of our goal. In addition to topping the list with the highest percentage of our goal, Louisiana's total represented the third highest actual dollar amount contributed to CULAC in 2010.

Tremendous efforts were put forth by both chapters and credit unions in 2010. In addition to the annual candy sale, 50/50 raffles, and dress down days, we witnessed new, innovative and creative fundraisers such as the payroll deduction program, silent auctions, comedy night, and sales of fleur-de-lis logo items.

Special thanks to Sidney Parfait, President/CEO of Post Office Employees Credit Union and Chairman of Louisiana's CULAC Committee, for exemplifying outstanding leadership. His deep passion for the cause has positioned Louisiana as a top CULAC supporter. Because of his efforts, Sidney automatically receives a seat by special appointment to the CULAC Executive Committee for 2011.

This past year was a significant election year and CULAC played an important role where it counts most – in helping to elect pro-credit union candidates. Of the 389 U.S. House and Senate Candidates receiving financial support from CULAC, 86% won their election. The level of credit union involvement has never been greater, nor more successful.

To learn more about CULAC and how your credit union can get involved, please contact Jody Brooks, LCUL Supports Specialist, at (800) 452-7221, ext. 3010 or jbrooks@lcul.com.

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For over 75 years, the Louisiana Credit Union League has represented the unique interests of more than 200 not-for-profit credit unions and the more than one million credit union members that they serve in the state of Louisiana.