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Thirty Emerging Leaders Added to CUES® Emerge Program

MADISON, Wis.— After another extremely successful year, the CUES Emerge program returned in January. After the five-week application period closed, CUES is pleased to announce the thirty applicants taking part in the third CUES Emerge program. The CUES Emerge program—held in partnership with Currency—searches for emerging leaders from within the credit union industry.

“Our third year of CUES Emerge proves that the field of talent is as strong as ever in the credit union industry. We were happy to see many emerging leaders apply to join the program, but we were only able to select thirty people. These thirty people represent a cross-section of the credit union world – from all parts of the United States. We’re excited for them to begin and to see what they learn from the program,” said John Pembroke, CUES’ President/CEO. “With the support of our partners at Currency, and a panel of judges, we will be able to choose a Final Five and Top Three before ultimately choosing the ultimate winner of CUES Emerge in October.”

All 30 people chosen for this year’s program will be assigned to one of six Mastermind cohorts. The 30 participants chosen are:

- Travis Amburgy, Quality Assurance & Training Manager, TwinStar CU, Olympia, WA
- Baylee Avery, Mortgage Servicing Supervisor, Royal CU, Eau Claire, WI
- Aaron Bernstetter, Branch Manager, Together CU, St. Louis, MO
- Lizz Boecker, Manager, Talent Development, Altra FCU, Onalaska, WI
- Julia Boutchie, Branch Manager, Quincy CU, Quincy, MA
- Ryan Bowman, Human Resources Manager, Del-One FCU, Dover, DE
- Andrew Burch, AVP Retail and Business Experience, Elevations CU, Broomfield, CO

- Jeannie Burkett, Learning and Development Specialist, Justice FCU, Chantilly, VA
- Alexa Cahill, Branch Manager, Boston Firefighter's CU, Dorchester, MA
- Jeremy Carlsrud, VP Accounting, WESTconsin CU, Menomonie, WI
- Zachary Churchill, VP of Finance, USF FCU, Tampa, FL
- Cesar De La Torre, Member Consultant II, Verity CU, Seattle, WA
- Lyla Elliott, Director of Loan Production, TwinStar CU, Olympia, WA
- Angela Harden, Facilities Assistant Manager, Bay FCU, Capitola, CA
- Ryan Kersey, Relationship Advisor, Mazuma CU, Overland Park, KS
- Katie Krasa, Community Business Development Manager, PSECU, Harrisburg, PA
- Jennifer Krinsky, Manager, Member Services, US Alliance Financial, Rye, NY
- Trisha Logue, Branch Manager, Together CU, St. Louis, MO
- Dan Maldonado, VP Regional, InTouch CU, Auburn Hills, MI
- Hannah Martin, Mortgage Processor, Royal CU, Eau Claire, WI
- Marilyn Mims, Learning & Organizational Development Manager, Northeast CU, Portsmouth, NH
- Anna Nelson, Corporate Trainer, Members Cooperative CU, Duluth, MN
- David Norgaard, Senior Internal Auditor, Royal CU, Eau Claire, WI
- Marsha Rasch, Branch Manager, InTouch CU, Auburn Hills, MI
- Jose Raya, Security Operations Engineer, Magnifi Financial CU, Melrose, MN
- Bree Shellito, Sr. Manager of Community Impact, Ent CU, Colorado Springs, CO
- Randi Timonere, Internal Auditor, Tulsa FCU, Tulsa, OK
- Shannon Tobin, AVP, Member Services, US Alliance Financial, Rye, NY
- Alex Welle, Database Developer, Central Minnesota CU, Sartell, MN
- Rachel Zsamboky, Learning and Development Specialist, Quincy CU, Quincy, MA

All participants will participate in three online courses over a six-week period. In the weeks following a course, cohorts will meet with a Mastermind leader to discuss and enhance what they've learned. At the end of six-week period, participants will be prepared to work on a business case highlighting a project to improve their credit union or the credit union system.

To follow along with the next stages of the competition, visit CUESemerge.com.

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