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**Great Lakes Credit Union and Consumers Credit Union Team Up to Support  
Waukegan Public Library**

Waukegan, IL. (May 2, 2023) – Great Lakes Credit Union (GLCU; \$1.3B, Bannockburn, IL) and Consumers Credit Union (CCU; \$3.2B, Gurnee, IL) have teamed up to purchase a mobile library van for the Waukegan Public Library. The credit unions each donated \$25,000, for a total of \$50,000, to enable the library to purchase the vehicle.

The vehicle will empower the library to directly visit schools and community events and serve individuals who are homebound.

“This is a great example of the cooperative credit union model working to positively impact a community,” said Steve Bugg, President and CEO of Great Lakes Credit Union, and a trustee on the Waukegan Public Library board. “We owe it to the communities we serve – especially those that have seen hardship over the years – to pool our resources to give back for a greater good.”

Both Great Lakes Credit Union and Consumers Credit Union operate branches in Waukegan, and both value the opportunity to help in efforts to revitalize the city.

“Consumers Credit Union proudly supports the communities where our members and employees live and work,” said Sean Rathjen, Consumers’ CEO. “The Waukegan Public Library is an invaluable resource for local families, and our joint effort with Great Lakes Credit Union will extend its reach to even more users.”

Expanding the library’s ability to serve the community is important to both credit unions. Waukegan Public Library, which has served the community since 1898, is a resource

not only for books, but also for parenting, small business, employment, education, and other resources.

“We’re very excited to see the library on the move,” said Waukegan Public Library Foundation President Loretta Pable. “We’ve raised additional funds to support its ongoing use in community events and mobile services and are thankful to Great Lakes Credit Union and Consumers Credit Union for their donation.”

### **About Great Lakes Credit Union**

Founded in 1938 and headquartered in Northern Illinois, Great Lakes Credit Union is banking for a greater good. As a not-for-profit financial cooperative with over \$1 billion in assets, GLCU is proud to serve around 80,000 members in Chicagoland and surrounding areas, and to give back to its members and communities through education, volunteerism and partnerships. Learn more about GLCU’s accounts, educational initiatives and community development programs at [glcu.org](http://glcu.org).

### **About Consumers Credit Union**

Founded in 1930 and headquartered in Gurnee, IL, Consumers Credit Union (CCU) has \$3.2 billion in assets and serves more than 200,000 members, making it one of the largest credit unions in the state. CCU believes that nobody needs banks on every corner, but everyone needs people who are in their corner. To learn more about CCU’s products and services, or for information on how to join, visit [myconsumers.org](http://myconsumers.org).



Pictured from left to right: Board members Cathy Rogers, Amy Grossman and Robb Freeman of the Waukegan Public Library. Steve Bugg, GLCU CEO and Sean Rathjen, CCU CEO holding the check. Matthew Rizzie, Executive Director of Great Lakes Credit Union Foundation, Tiffany Verzani, Executive Director of Waukegan Public Library, and Jessica Obiala Senior Manager of Brand Activation of Great Lakes Credit Union.