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## NEWS RELEASE

### **CREDIT UNION OF COLORADO FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEACHERS**

***Teachers throughout 12 Colorado counties can apply now through DonorsChoose***

DENVER – July 2025 – With back-to-school just around the corner, Credit Union of Colorado Foundation is proud to announce the availability of its second round of grant funding for Colorado teachers this year through education nonprofit DonorsChoose. This educator grants initiative will continue to empower teachers at DonorsChoose-designated Equity Focus Schools throughout 12 Colorado counties by providing access to grant funding for essential classroom resources. To date, the initiative has provided \$25,000 in funding to support 112 teachers and 56 projects at 73 schools.

Teachers can apply at any time for these funds which can be utilized for materials, programs and activities that promote financial literacy. To apply for funding, please visit [this website](#).

“As students head back to school in the next few months, many teachers will lack adequate funding for classroom projects which is why the Credit Union of Colorado Foundation is expanding our support to supply additional grants directly to Colorado teachers,” says Phil Smith, board chair of the Credit Union of Colorado Foundation and president and CEO of Credit Union of Colorado. “By investing in our teachers, we are empowering them to deliver high-quality instruction and create impactful financial literacy-focused learning experiences for students across the state. This initiative not only enhances education but also honors our legacy of philanthropic commitment to our members and the communities where they reside.”

Grant eligibility is extended to teachers working at DonorsChoose-designated Equity Focus Schools within the counties where the Credit Union of Colorado has branches, including Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, El Paso, Fremont, Jefferson, La Plata, Mesa, Pueblo and Weld.



To help combat educational systemic racial and socioeconomic inequity, DonorsChoose defines Equity Focus Schools as those where:

- at least 50% of students are Black, Latino, Native American, Pacific Islander or multiracial; and
- at least 50% of students qualify for free or reduced-price lunch, the standard measure for school economic need.

To learn more about the projects being funded and to help support this important work, please visit our [partner page](#).

Credit Union of Colorado Foundation is matching any donations made to funded projects.

#### **About Credit Union of Colorado Foundation**

Founded in 2012, [Credit Union of Colorado Foundation](#) supports education through college scholarships and educator grants. The Foundation reflects and honors Credit Union of Colorado's legacy of philanthropic commitment to its members and the communities where they reside.

#### **About DonorsChoose**

DonorsChoose is the leading way to give to public schools. Since 2000, 6.4 million people and partners have contributed more than \$1.8 billion to support over 3 million teacher requests for classroom resources and experiences. As the most trusted crowdfunding platform for teachers, donors, and district administrators alike, DonorsChoose vets each request, ships the funded resources directly to the classroom, and provides thank yous and reporting to donors and school leaders. Charity Navigator and GuideStar have awarded DonorsChoose, a 501(c)3 nonprofit, their highest ratings for transparency and accountability. For more information, visit [www.donorschoose.org](http://www.donorschoose.org).

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