



Purdue Employees
Federal Credit Union

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PEFCU OFFERS FREE, CONFIDENTIAL CREDIT COUNSELING

West Lafayette, Ind. – February 28, 2008 – Local help is available for residents of Greater Lafayette and surrounding areas facing financial challenges in the current economic conditions. The Credit Counseling Department at Purdue Employees Federal Credit Union (PEFCU) has been providing free, confidential assistance to members and non-members for nearly 10 years.

In 2007, PEFCU credit counselors hosted 49 workshops and conducted 489 individual counseling sessions where individuals learned how to balance accounts, set budgets, review and improve credit reports, and prevent home foreclosure. An additional 23 people completed the Merit Checking Program, which is designed to help individuals achieve financial success in light of past credit or checking blemishes. The program educates members about healthy fiscal habits and gives them financial tools to improve their credit and checking history. After completing the program, participants are eligible for a checking account and debit card.

Individuals interested in free, confidential credit counseling or the Merit Checking Program may contact PEFCU Credit Counselor Megan Federer, Joe Redmon or Dana Smith at 765.497.3328 or 800.627.3328.

Founded on the Purdue University campus in 1969, Purdue Employees Federal Credit Union (PEFCU) boasts assets exceeding \$475 million and serves more than 56,000 members nationwide. The credit union is driven by superior member service and is dedicated to serving the Greater Lafayette community.

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