# 2022 Annual F





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It has been an honor to serve our community for 90 years and we look forward to another 90 years of uplifting families.

	30s	A young boy gets ready for the El Paso Soap Box Derby.
	40s	A local GECU-sponsored Little League Baseball team.
	50s	Former President/CEO R.C. Morgan and a GECU employee.
	60s	Building one of our first branches.
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1	80s	GECU employees in a Northeast drive-thru location.
	90s	Children's Miracle Network check presentation.
	00s	Credit Union Excellence Service Team (CUEST) rally.
	10s	GECU President and CEO and board members with former UTEP President at a UTEP Football game.
	20s	GECU President and CEO with GECU Foundation Executive Director and board member celebrating four-year scholarship donation.

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**Board of Directors** Expiration of terms



GREGORY J. WATTERS Chairman of the Board April 2024



Vice Chairman April 2024



GUADALUPE GINER Secretary/Treasurer April 2025



DR. TERESA QUEZADA



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April 2025

April 2023

April 2023





HANS SASSENFELD Associate Director



ABRAHAM VALENZUELA Associate Director

### **Management Team**

- Crystal Long President & CEO
- Hazel Kennedy Executive VP Chief Lending Officer
- Alex Rascón Executive VP Chief Financial Officer
- Aida Arce Sr. VP Project Management Office\*
- Nicole Bradford Sr. VP Compliance\*
- Ceci Davila Sr. VP Chief Experience & Operations Officer\*
- **Teresa Montoya** Sr. VP Chief Marketing Officer
- Fernando Ortega Sr. VP Chief Information Officer
- Lettie Ramos Sr. VP Mortgage\*
- Mike Sarabia Sr. VP Internal Audit\*
- Chris Tompkins Sr. VP Chief Commercial Services Officer
- Jacque Valdez Sr. VP Operations & Member Experience\*

Our journey began in 1932 during the Great Depression when a group of civil service employees identified an urgent need — they came together and volunteered their time to bring their fellow neighbors essential financial services from the back of a bicycle. Since our humble beginnings, the dedication to our *people helping people* philosophy and to our spirit of service has been unwavering.

You, our members, made it possible to accomplish many important milestones over the years. In 1995, we became a community-chartered credit union and opened our doors to all of El Paso. In 2021, we had the vision of expanding our influence to help even more people beyond the El Paso area. With your support, we were able to become a federally chartered credit union through a democratic, majority vote of the membership. This affirmative vote makes it possible to serve communities outside of the El Paso area with that same *people helping people* philosophy. Your advocacy for GECU resulted in the prestigious honor of becoming Forbes Magazine's best credit union in Texas! This, alongside a visionary board of directors and staff of more than 900 employees, is what made these achievements a reality.

Last year marked an incredible year for making a positive impact on the El Paso community. Your generosity, together with the collective efforts of others, resulted in \$665,000 in donations to the GECU Foundation. This philanthropic arm of GECU supports many organizations who share our passion for elevating this community through scholarships, and health and financial-wellness initiatives.

GECU is committed to making your experiences convenient, seamless and available to you when the need arises! Our newly redesigned **gecu.com** is a reflection of our commitment to continuous improvement and your desire for an enhanced digital presence. There, you'll find guidance for your own personal journey to financial wellness, along with the tools and resources needed to open a new account, to purchase a home or to buy a new car.

Your deposits are what funds someone's dream of a college education, expanding a business initiative, or purchasing reliable transportation. You are <u>vital</u> to this *people helping people* movement and we are grateful for the trust and loyalty you've placed in GECU.

### Chairman of the Board and President and CEO's Message



Crystal Long

Crystal Long GECU President & CEO



Gregory Watters

Gregory J. Watters Chairman of the Board

### Year-end 2022

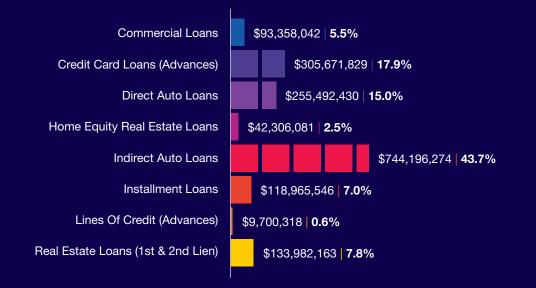
Loan Portfolio

\$2,970,962,180 in 2022



### **Loans Funded**

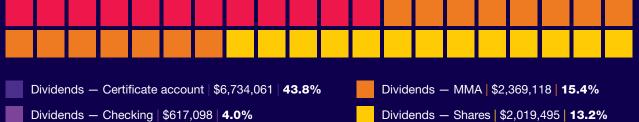
\$1,703,672,683 in 2022



#### **Return to Members**

\$15,361,524 in 2022





Dividends — IRA | \$3,621,752 | **23.6%** 

#### Dividends — Shares | \$2,019,495 | **13.2%**

### **Distribution of Earnings**

\$235,832,258 in 2022

Employee Compensation & Benefits   \$66,664,794   <b>28.3%</b> Reserves   \$48,783,795   <b>20.7%</b>															
Operating Expenses   \$105,022,145   <b>44.5%</b>						Return to Members   \$15,361,524   <b>6.5%</b>									



### Supervisory Committee Report

The Supervisory Committee is responsible for ensuring that there is appropriate oversight of GECU's required financial-reporting objectives and for ensuring that the established practices and procedures are sufficient to safeguard members' assets in accordance with the law.

The Supervisory Committee is assisted by GECU's Internal Audit Department, which conducts comprehensive internal audits throughout the year, ensuring that 1) accounting records and reports are prepared promptly and that they accurately reflect operations and results; 2) established internal controls are effectively maintained and that they adequately protect the credit union, its assets, members, management and employees; and 3) each area of the credit union is carrying out the plans, policies and procedures for which it is responsible as directed by the Board of Directors.

The Supervisory Committee also oversees the annual comprehensive audit conducted by the independent certified public accounting firm of Doeren Mayhew. Their examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards (GAAS) in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

As a result of the internal and independent audits, the Supervisory Committee believes that the financial statements included in the 2022 Annual Report fairly present the financial condition of GECU for the year ending December 31, 2022.

We appreciate GECU's Board of Directors, management and staff for their cooperation.

Ricardo Soto Chairman

Ricardo Soto — Chairman Melisa Guevara Michael White

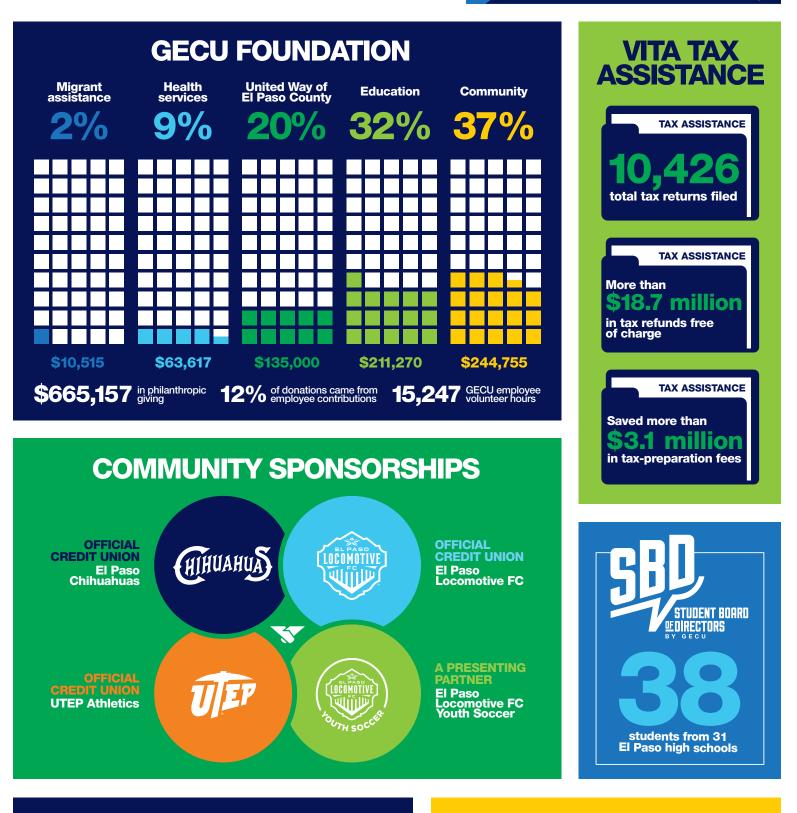


A full copy of GECU's 2022 financial statements may be obtained by contacting the office of Crystal Long, GECU President and CEO.

### **Community Impact Statements**

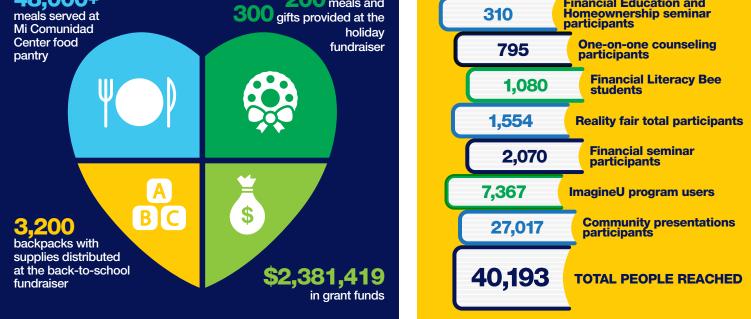
We would not be able to help so many people without the help of our members, employees, volunteers and community partnerships - thank you for everything that you do!

2022 - 421,852 members strong\* 2021 — 409,696 members 2020 - 401,228 members 2019 - 394,511 members \*As of December 31, 2022



## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

48,000+ meals served at Mi Comunidad Center food



200 meals and

### **FINANCIAL WELL-BEING** OUTREACH

310	Financial Education and Homeownership seminar participants					
795	One-on-one counseling participants					
1,080	Financial Literacy Bee students					
1.554	Reality fair total participants					

### **UTEP SUPPORT**



GECU provided 5,900 tickets t communit organizations and military members in support of UTEP's initiative to fill the Sun Bowl Stadium for a UTEP football game.





### **COMMUNITY AWARDS**

Forbes 2022 **BEST-IN-STATE CREDIT UNIONS** VERED BY STATISTA

**FORBES** 

No. 1 Credit Union in Texas

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**EL PASO INC.** 2022 Best of El Paso



**Credit Union** National Association CUNA



THE CITY MAGAZINE 2022 Best of The City

**Best Credit Union/Bank** 

Best Credit Union and Best Commercial/ Personal Lender

**Best Place to Work** 

**EL PASO TIMES** 

2022 Best of the Border

2022 Member Activation Program Award

**CUNA AWARDS** 

# **Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition**

December 31, 2022 & 2021

ASSETS	2022	2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 146,430,705	\$ 437,761,630
Investment Securities:		
Equity securities	49,866,762	\$55,209,389
Held-to-maturity	832,858,026	482,157,394
Available-for-sale debt securities	5,830,249	9,031,518
FHLB stock	24,763,800	16,797,800
Loans held-for-sale	655,577	13,565,859
Loans to members, net of allowance for loan losses	2,942,506,282	2,522,155,299
Accrued interest receivable	11,476,098	7,947,671
Property and equipment	68,909,818	72,586,296
NCUSIF deposit	30,777,873	30,013,092
Life insurance contracts	42,392,240	41,275,706
Split dollar deferred compensation plan	11,342,265	11,148,285
Other assets	31,168,318	23,727,571
Total assets	\$ 4,198,978,013	\$ 3,723,377,510
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Members' shares and savings accounts	\$ 3,263,709,114	\$ 3,217,253,802
Borrowed funds	437,664,943	70,772,921
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	43,255,575	29,367,775
Total liabilities	\$ 3,744,629,632	\$ 3,317,394,498
Members' equity:		
Regular reserves	16,834,261	16,834,261
Undivided earnings	437,695,283	388,911,488
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(181,163)	237,263
Total members' equity	\$ 454,348,381	\$ 405,983,012
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 4,198,978,013	\$ 3,723,377,510

Insured by NCUA.

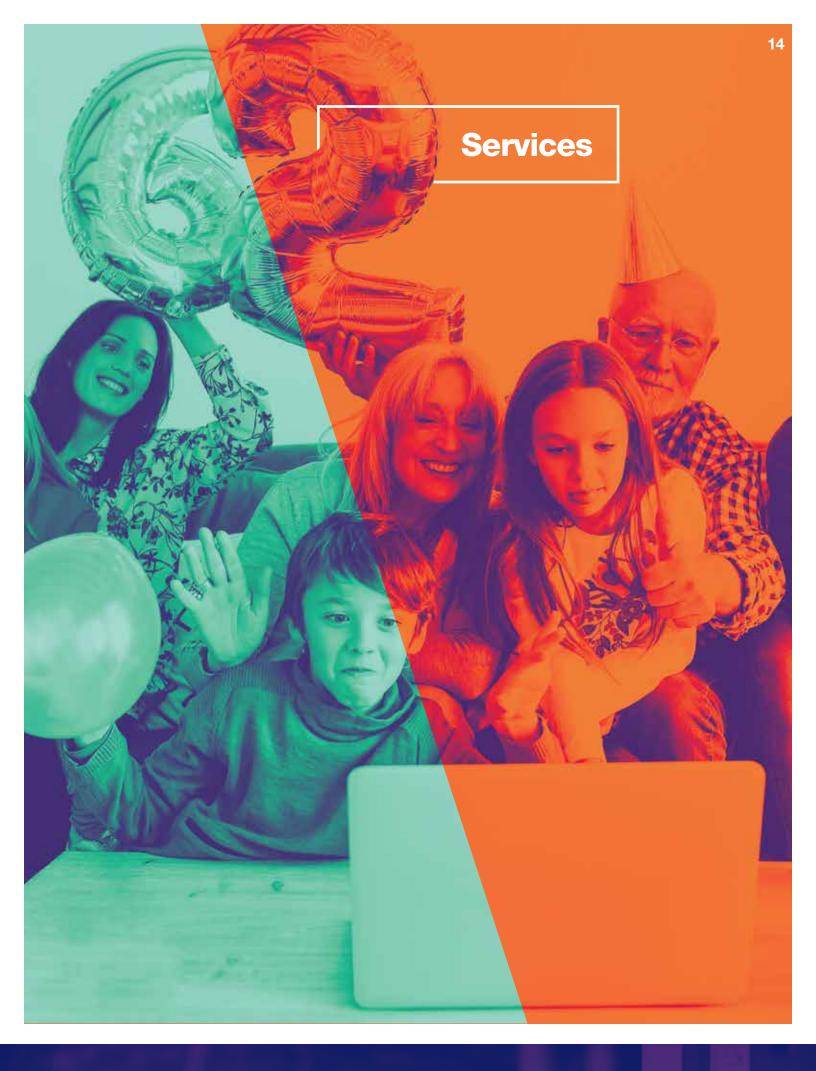
## **Consolidated Statements of Income**

December 31, 2022 & 2021

	2022	2021
Interest income: Loans receivable Investment securities	\$ 151,281,379 13,328,618	\$ 139,483,788 2,757,282

Total interest income	164,609,997	142,241,070
Interest expense:		
Members' shares and savings accounts	15,361,524	17,086,254
Interest on borrowed funds	8,324,789	1,712,073
Total interest expense	23,686,313	18,798,327
Net interest income	140,923,684	123,442,743
Provision for loan losses	9,870,422	645,935
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	131,053,262	122,796,808
Non-interest income:		
Gains on sale of loans	624,421	4,865,408
Net gain (loss) on equity securities	(4,861,512)	1,940,539
Other income	1,886,129	1,956,737
Fees and charges and other operating income	73,573,223	71,111,008
Total non-interest income	71,222,261	79,873,692
Non-interest expenses:		
Compensation and benefits	66,664,794	62,030,993
Occupancy	9,871,759	10,170,459
Office operations	66,203,537	62,776,739
Other operating expenses	10,751,638	9,776,628
Total non-interest expenses	153,491,728	144,754,819
Net income	\$ 48,783,795	\$ 57,915,681









**Special Services** 

Bump-up Certificate Accounts Business Checking Accounts Certificate Accounts Christmas Club Accounts Credit Builder Certificate Accounts GECU Miners Kids Club Youth Savings Accounts Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) Money Market Accounts No Excuse IRA Certificate Accounts Personal Checking Accounts Second Chance Checking Accounts Share (savings) Accounts Youth Accounts



#### Loans

Business Loans Credit Builder Loans GECU Empowerment® Credit Card GECU Fast Cash<sup>™</sup> GECU Rewards® Credit Card Home Equity Loans Home Improvement Loans Home Mortgage Loans Lines of Credit New and Used Auto Loans Personal Loans ATMs and Real-time Deposit-taking ATMs Audio-response Phone System (24-hour account information) Automatic Transfers (between GECU accounts) Business Cash-management System Chip-enabled Credit and Debit Cards **Community Boardrooms Direct Deposits** Domestic Wire Transfers **Drive-up Personal Tellers** Electronic Receipts **GECU Blog GECU** Contact Center GECU Email and GECU Chat **GECU Loan Center** GECU Mascot Dru Blue GECU Mobile Banking GECU Online Banking – gecu.com ImagineU — Online Education Videos Instant-issue Credit and Debit Cards Overdraft Privilege Safe Deposit Boxes Welcome Home El Paso Down Payment Assistance

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Airway & Edgemere 1245 Airway Boulevard (Drive-thru facility)

Alameda & Ysleta 8936 Alameda Avenue

Artcraft & Upper Valley 6101 Upper Valley Road

Campbell & Mills 218 North Campbell Street, Suite 100

Cohen & US-54 4521 Cohen Avenue

Dyer & Diana 9435 Dyer Street

Eastlake & Darrington 13750 Eastlake Boulevard

**Edgemere & Rich Beem** 12801 Edgemere Boulevard, Building A

**El Paso Community College** Valle Verde Campus 919 Hunter Drive, First Floor

**GECU Community Development** 6801 Viscount Boulevard, Suite A

**GECU Investment Services\*\*** 7227 Viscount Boulevard

**GECU Mortgage at CareFree Town Center** 1265 Joe Battle Boulevard, Suite B106

**GECU Trust Services\*\*\*** 7227 Viscount Boulevard

Helen of Troy & Resler 7410 Helen of Troy Drive

Lee Trevino & Vista Del Sol 1545 North Lee Trevino Drive

Mesa & Doniphan 7955 North Mesa Street, Suite B

Mesa & Mesa Hills 5710 North Mesa Street

Montwood & Desert Sun 12400 Montwood Drive

North Loop & Horizon Boulevard 10860 North Loop Drive

**Operations Center** 1225 Airway Boulevard

**Oregon & University** 2208 North Oregon Street

**Piedras & Yandell** 716 North Piedras Street

Rojas & Zaragoza 11987 Rojas Drive

Sean Haggerty & Marcus Uribe 11400 Sean Haggerty Drive, Building D, Suite 401

**Transmountain & Dyer** 5645 Transmountain Road (Drive-thru facility)

Trawood & George Dieter 3037 Trawood Drive (Drive-thru facility)

### Locations\*

Viscount & Airway 7227 Viscount Boulevard

Vista Del Sol & Yarbrough 10425 Vista Del Sol Drive

Yarbrough & North Loop 429 Yarbrough Drive

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**TELEPHONE NUMBERS** All Offices 915.778.9221 1.800.772.4328

**GECU Contact Center** 915.778.9221 1.800.772.4328

**WEB ADDRESS** gecu.com

\*Locations as of December 31, 2022. For an up-to-date listing of locations, please visit gecu.com. \*\*Securities and advisory services are offered through LPL Financial (LPL), a registered investment advisor and broker-dealer (member FINRA/SIPC). Insurance products are offered through LPL or its licensed affiliates. GECU and GECU Investment Services <u>are not</u> registered as a broker-dealer or investment advisor. Registered representatives of LPL offer products and services using GECU Investment Services, and may also be employees of GECU. These products and services are being offered through LPL or its affiliates, which are separate entities from, and not affiliates of, GECU or GECU Investment Services. Securities and insurance offered through LPL or its affiliates are:

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We've been there for many of your firsts: First steps. First set of wheels. First time away from home. First job. First love. First house. First investment. First day of retirement. We've been with you for 90 years and we are ready to be there for so many more firsts as we expand our membership in 2023 and beyond.

> We're with you, Texas and New Mexico!

## **Looking Ahead**

