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Unitus Community Credit Union President & CEO Steven Stapp Honored with WOCCU Distinguished Service Award

Global recognition highlights Stapp's decades-long impact on credit union advocacy, access, and international cooperation

Stockholm, Sweden - July 15, 2025 – Steven Stapp, President and CEO of Unitus Community Credit Union, has been honored with the World Council of Credit Unions' (WOCCU) 2025 Distinguished Service Award, the organization's highest individual honor. The award was presented at the World Credit Union Conference in Stockholm, Sweden, recognizing Mr. Stapp's enduring contributions to the global credit union movement.



Mr. Stapp joins an elite group of international leaders whose extraordinary efforts have shaped cooperative finance around the world. A longtime champion of credit union collaboration and inclusion, Stapp served for many years on the WOCCU Board of Directors, including two as Chair. In this role, he forged deep partnerships across continents, engaging with credit union leaders from Brazil, Colombia, Kenya, South Korea, New Zealand, the Caribbean, and beyond. He also hosted dozens of global delegates at Unitus, promoting innovation, knowledge sharing, and goodwill.

"It has been one of the greatest privileges of my career to work alongside leaders from every corner of the globe to expand access to financial empowerment," said Mr. Stapp. "The credit union movement is truly a global force for good, and I'm humbled to accept this award on behalf of all those who work tirelessly to serve and uplift their communities."

According to WOCCU, the Distinguished Service Award is not presented annually but reserved for those who have made an outsized impact on credit union development, global advocacy, and cooperative training. Mr. Stapp's leadership has influenced each of these pillars, leaving a legacy that strengthens the financial well-being of millions.

"Steve's vision, commitment, and humility are rare," said the U.S. delegation to the WOCCU Board in their nomination letter. "Without his efforts, the global credit union movement would not be as advanced and unified as it is today."

Under Mr. Stapp's leadership, Unitus has grown in size and scope while deepening its investment in community impact and financial access. His passion for cooperative values continues to shape Unitus' work both locally and globally.

About Unitus Community Credit Union

At Unitus, we're dedicated to improving lives in the communities we serve. As a member-owned local credit union, we invest in people by doing the right thing. Through partnerships with nonprofit organizations, we provide support for community groups through volunteerism and financial donations. Our 106,000 members count on us to serve them and their communities; our 300+ employees share that passion for service. Learn about the local impact Unitus makes by visiting unituscu.com.