



# GUADALUPE CREDIT UNION PRESS RELEASE

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## GUADALUPE CREDIT UNION ANNOUNCES SIX ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES ARE FiCEP CERTIFIED

Santa Fe, NM | Guadalupe Credit Union (GCU) is proud to announce that employees **Patricia Gallegos, Gaby Leon, Edgar Mendoza, Lloyd Quintana, Britni Romero, and Michael Sandoval** recently passed certification exams for the Enhanced FiCEP program. Guadalupe Credit Union currently has eight certified financial counselors on staff, with another three in training.

"I am so proud of our employees," said Winona Nava, GCU CEO. "GCU is focused on providing financial empowerment and as certified Credit Union Certified Financial Counselors, these GCU employees are ready and able to assist our credit union members reach their financial goals.

The Enhanced FiCEP program (Credit Union Financial Counseling Certification Program) is a unique partnership between the National Credit Union Foundation's REAL Solutions program, CUNA's Center for Professional Development (CUNA CPD), credit union leagues and credit unions to train staff who are then able to give professional financial counseling and education to help members better prepare for their future and to assist when they are faced with financial difficulties. FiCEP enables all credit union staff to become more confident in helping members build a stronger financial future.

"This training helps staff learn about the real world problems our members face every day and provide the right kind of counseling that will fit their specific situations. At GCU, we're committed to helping people from all backgrounds," said Diane Sandoval-Griego, GCU Financial Counseling Manager. "I'm very excited for our members to have this advantage and grateful that these employees were willing to take this extra step to better counsel our members."

*Member-owned and not-for-profit Guadalupe Credit Union (GCU) is a certified Community Development Financial Institution that has served Northern New Mexico since 1948. Anyone who lives or works in Santa Fe, San Miguel, Río Arriba, Mora, Torrance or Taos counties is invited to join. GCU is an equal opportunity and housing lender and is federally insured by the National Credit Union Association.*

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