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Spotlighting the Industry’s Trailblazers: 2026 CUES Awards Nominations Now Open

MADISON, WI — April 8, 2026 — Nominations are open through May 15 for the 2026 CUES Awards & Recognition program, which honors individuals and credit unions whose impact is driving progress and strengthening the communities they serve.

“The CUES Awards & Recognition program reflects the very best of our industry—leaders and organizations who act with purpose, deliver meaningful results, and have a positive influence on the future of the movement,” said Brian Cacic, CUES VP/Member Experience.

Nominate the leaders and credit unions driving positive change in these categories:

- **John Pembroke Catalyst for Change Award**—Recognizes a credit union that champions an inclusive culture, supports employees, and advances positive change in the workplace, community, and the broader industry.
- **CUES Outstanding Chief Executive Award**—Celebrates a CEO whose achievements demonstrate exceptional leadership, a commitment to motivating teams, and a sustained dedication to community impact.
- **CUES Distinguished Director Award**—Honors a board or committee member who has provided outstanding service and helped strengthen their credit union and/or the credit union movement.

“All CUES members are encouraged to get involved in the nomination process,” Cacic said. “Submitting a nomination is a great way to recognize leaders who inspire others and reflect the credit union movement’s values.”

Learn more about CUES Awards at cues.org/Awards. Learn more about CUES at cues.org.

About CUES

For over 60 years, CUES has advanced the credit union movement by developing exceptional purpose-driven leaders who meet the unique needs of their organizations and the communities they serve. CUES partners with the credit union system to elevate the leaders of today and tomorrow through exclusive networking and event opportunities, programs that facilitate personal and professional development, and unmatched digital and in-person learning experiences. Visit CUES.org to learn how CUES plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of credit unions.

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