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**Still time to enroll in LAFCU's free financial education course through Sept. 1**

*Pathway to Financial Transformation course helps Michigan adults build lifelong money skills*

LANSING, Mich. — There is still time for Michigan residents to sign up for LAFCU's free Pathway to Financial Transformation course, a hybrid personal finance program open to adults of all ages, regardless of credit union membership. Enrollment is available through Sept. 1 at [lafcu.com/pathway](https://lafcu.com/pathway).



Now in its fifth year, the course provides participants with practical tools to improve money management, build financial stability, and gain confidence in financial decision-making.

The course will meet virtually every other Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m., beginning Sept. 11, 2025,



Graduates of LAFCU's 2024-25 Pathway to Financial Transformation program celebrate at the cap-and-gown ceremony. Adults can register for the free course through Sept. 1.

through April 2, 2026, excluding holidays. Participants will have the option of attending one in-person session at LAFCU headquarters in Lansing and will celebrate their achievements at a cap-and-gown graduation ceremony in April.

Topics include budgeting, saving, credit building, lending, investing, first-time homebuying, and how diversity, equity, and inclusion impact financial decision-making. Sessions are led by LAFCU professionals in lending,

collections, insurance, DEI, and investments, along with guest experts in financial counseling, homebuying, wellness, and more.

“Many people want to make changes with their money but don’t know where to begin,” said Shelia Scott, LAFCU community financial education and business development officer and course leader. “This program breaks down financial topics into approachable steps so participants can set goals, take action, and see real results.”

Since its launch in 2020, the course has produced life-changing outcomes for graduates, including credit score increases of more than 100 points, paying off tens of thousands of dollars in debt, starting savings accounts for children, and creating long-term financial plans.

### **About LAFCU**

Founded in 1936, LAFCU (pronounced laugh-cue) is a not-for-profit, member-owned credit union open to all who live, work, worship or attend school in Michigan, and to Michigan businesses. LAFCU serves more than 74,000 members and holds over \$1 billion in assets. With a particular focus on serving people of modest means, LAFCU is committed to enhancing its members' financial well-being and creating long-lasting positive change across generations. Awarded the prestigious Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Community Service Award, LAFCU is known for its people-helping-people mission, which has led to award-winning financial literacy programs for all ages. Twice honored as a national ‘Best Credit Union to Work For’ and recognized globally for its diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, LAFCU stands out for its commitment to creating an inclusive workplace. Learn more at [www.lafcu.com](http://www.lafcu.com).

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