



## Media Release

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### 5-STAR COMPASS COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS

Eureka, CA—BauerFinancial, Inc., congratulates Compass Community Credit Union on its 47th consecutive 5-Star Rating. To earn this top rating, the credit union must excel under a rigorous, independent analysis of its financial condition. Compass has done so continuously since June 2010, earning the distinction of “Exceptional Performance Credit Union”.

How do they continue to perform so well during these difficult times? We asked Karen Dorway, president of BauerFinancial, for her insight. “Compass Community Credit Union is uniquely structured in a way that helps their members’ specific needs. Since those members are also owners, it comes back full circle to the credit union itself,” she reflected. “Even when times are unpredictable, the common bonds these members share give them an intimate knowledge of how given circumstances may affect other members and the credit union. That knowledge means that decisions can be made quickly and implemented effectively.

“It’s such an honor to maintain this high level for 47 consecutive quarters,” said Compass Community Credit Union CEO, Ray Litchfield. “This shows the true dedication and hard work our team puts forth for our members each and every day. I know we strive to do what is best for our members and improve their financial well-being. That is at the heart of Compass Community Credit Union’s mission.”

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Compass Community Credit Union serves members in Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity counties. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works or worships in these three counties. For over 71 years, Compass Community Credit Union has been offering financial solutions to members. For more information, visit [Compassccu.org](http://Compassccu.org).