

Shop local this holiday season and earn

BONUS POINTS

53 new locations added to SESLOC Local Rewards

Looking for the perfect gift (or maybe one for your own wish list)? With SESLOC Local Rewards¹, you earn bonus points just for shopping at participating businesses all across the Central Coast with eligible SESLOC Visa® cards.

Use our website as a guide for your holiday grocery lists, the best restaurants to host a family gathering, and for finding locally-made gifts. You'll earn more points on purchases to redeem for super cool stuff, plus help spread cheer while supporting the shop local movement.

25,000 reasons to be merry

Many of you are already earning points on HomeFREE Checking™ debit cards. But did you know? You earn more points per dollar on purchases with our **Visa Signature® Rewards Credit Card.**²

Plus, we have a Special Introductory Offer: **Spend \$2,500** in the first 60 days after opening card, and you'll get 25,000 bonus points.³ Earning more points means more rewards. Get a gift for them and rewards for you!



Apply today for your **Visa Signature® Rewards Credit Card** at our website, through Online Banking, or at any branch.



Coming Soon

We're here for you—just a click away.

Getting help remotely will be easier than ever with our new digital live chat. A new look and feel with more ease of use is coming soon to sesloc.org. Stay tuned for updates, which we'll send toward the end of October.

SAVE WIN 12-month Share Certificate

You Could be the Next Winner!

\$17,000

215

TOTAL AWARDED

MEMBER WINNERS

Members are saving—and winning! For every \$25 in deposits, you get an automatic entry for a chance to win up to \$5,000.* Open your account today at **sesloc.org/save-to-win**.

*Minimum opening deposit is \$25.00. Up to 10 entries per month. Official rules at sesloc.org/save-to-win. Total awarded since account availability in 2019.

New & Improved







Digital Home Loan Center

Our website just got better with new tools to make applying for a mortgage easier.

Mortgage Application: Upload your documents with ease in our new, slick mobile-first interface (coming mid-October).

Today's Mortgage Rates: Enjoy a more functional, user-friendly view of the current market rates and payment examples, which are updated in real time.

Home Equity Financial Calculators: Try our new calculators to estimate the equity in your home or loan payments.

Find it all at sesloc.org/home-loans.



Cal Poly Proud

In supporting Cal Poly's long-standing Learn by Doing motto, we held a **12-week summer internship program** to help five students gain real-world experience. We are grateful for their enthusiasm, innovation and hard work!



Savannah, **The Mustang Kids Club Captain** for the first home
Cal Poly football game, delivered
the game ball to the cheer teams.

The Mustang Kids Club has super fun benefits for fans in eighth grade and under. Check it out at **GoPoly.com**.



Thank You for Supporting Childhood Literacy

A special thanks to our members and employees who joined us, along with KSBY, in support of the Scripps Howards Foundation's recent "If You Give a Child a Book..." fundraiser. Funds raised will allow our local students at Arellanes, Bonita, Lillian Larsen, and Oceano Elementary Schools to start their very own personal home libraries.



October is National **Cybersecurity**

Cybersecurity Awareness Month

This is the perfect time to update your passwords. Did you know that experts recommend updating your passwords every 3 months?

Online Banking and Cybersecurity A Tip for Business Owners

If you have employees that need Online Banking access, ensure they have their own login. Set up profiles depending on what tasks or transactions they may be responsible for. You can even set up dual control to show entry and approval. Set reoccurring reminders to **review your authorized users** and deactivate those who have left the company or no longer need access.

SHRED DAY

Paso Robles Branch

Saturday, October 15 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Join us for our next Shred Day, where we shred confidential documents on site for free. See details at **sesloc.org/shred-days.**

*Or until partner trucks are full. The limit is two legal-size boxes per member.

WEBINAR

The Red Flags of Fraud

Wednesday, October 19 | 12:00 p.m.

We'll go over common scams and give you tips to recognize the red flags of fraud during this short webinar. Stay safe online and protect your personal information and bank accounts. Register at **sesloc.org/webinars**.

Visit **sesloc.org/cybersecurity-month** for more tips and events.

Ask a Financial Advisor

New Cancellation for Federal Student Loans and Delayed Repayment to 2023

The plan will cancel \$10,000 of federal student loan debt for borrowers with an adjusted gross income less than \$125,000 (\$250,000 for married couples filing jointly). The loan cancellation increases to \$20,000 for borrowers who are Pell Grant recipients. (A Pell Grant is a federal financial aid grant award to students from low-income households.) Eligibility is based on income from 2020 or 2021, but not 2022. The pause on federal student loan repayment is being extended one "final" time through December 31, 2022. In practice, borrowers should expect to hear from their loan servicer at least three weeks before their first payment is due.

Learn more at **sesloc.org/new-for-federal-student-loans**



Rick Hoskins is our interim CFS Financial Consultant, through CUSO Financial Services, LP (CFS).* Contact Rick today to book an appointment to discuss your unique financial situation.

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Call for Board Nominations

Each spring, SESLOC members select Directors to lead our Credit Union. From October 3, 2022 - November 14, 2022, we are accepting applications for nominations for qualified members who are willing to volunteer as Credit Union directors in a governance capacity for a three-year term.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- SESLOC primary member 18+ years of age
- Good standing for the last three years
- Demonstrated good character and fiscal responsibility:
 Not engaged in any business or enterprise which is,
 or could appear to be, in conflict with the duties of
 a credit union official, or interfere with independence
 and impartiality
- May apply each year, including directors whose terms are expiring

HOW TO SUBMIT FOR NOMINATION: Completed applications must be received by Monday, November 14, 2022. Applications are available at each SESLOC branch. Complete and return application to: SESLOC Federal Credit Union, PO Box 5360, San Luis Obispo, CA 93403-5360, ATTN: Nominating Committee

From Your SESLOC CEO

This past summer we've been out and about at dozens of community events to broaden our reach while sharing our credit union values and awesome member benefits. Our staff had a blast welcoming incoming freshman at **Cal Poly** and **Alan Hancock** colleges, meeting new families at **Day in the Park** in Santa Maria, and greeting auto enthusiasts at **National Motorfest** in San Luis Obispo (to name a few). With each presence, I am reflecting on the important role community plays in our lives and filled with hope as we enter the holiday season.

In an age where technology both connects and separates us, we continue to offer digital services with a human touch. Our new and improved mortgage loan application, soon-to-launch online chat experience, ongoing financial webinars and mobile app enhancements all are built with the unique needs of the Central Coast. Whether fully remote, in branch, or a mix of both, your preferences are always top of mind.

We are happy to announce that **dividend rates have been raised** and you will see this on your statement included with this newsletter. There have been a couple of increases to the certificate rates across the board, and in September the regular share and money market rates, effective September 1. This provides members the option to keep a portion of savings liquid as well as investing in term certificate products. We will continue to carefully manage rate adjustments based on federal reserve movements going forward.

As we enter the final months of our **80th Anniversary**, we are close to awarding the total of \$40,000 that was pledged at the start of the year, with **\$500 going to 80 local nonprofits**. Our employees have been submitting nominations for worthy recipients, and it has been a joy to read their kind and heartwarming comments. I'm reminded once again of community—in this case, one that supports organizations that make the Central Coast the best place to live.

We find community—or "our people"—in our favorite hobbies, the coffee shops we frequent, the fairs and festivals we attend, or the nonprofits we support. These micro-communities unite us and we become a part of something greater than ourselves. By trade, SESLOC opens deposit accounts, funds loans, and helps local businesses grow. But in heart, we support one another in the moments that matter—like planning a wedding, starting a family, or celebrating under a holiday tree. Our people are why we are here. **Community is what we do.** Supporting over 100 local businesses with enhanced "local rewards" points on purchases with your HomeFREE Checking debit card and Visa Signature Rewards credit card is a win-win for all.

We are both humbled and proud to serve one of the largest communities within the Central Coast—now at 57,000 members strong. We appreciate the opportunity to support your financial goals and dreams, hopefully for generations to come. Wishing you and your families a safe, happy and healthy holiday season.



Geri LaChance
PRESIDENT & CEO





Online Banking

Check balances, transfer funds, pay bills, and more 24/7 at **sesloc.org** or via our mobile app. With your smartphone, deposit checks and set up contactless payments with Apple, Google or Samsung Pay. Plus, at sesloc.org, apply for loans, make payments and chat with us in real time.





Scan the codes with your smartphone to download our Mobile App.

More Access Than Most Banks

SESLOC cardholders have access to 55 fee-free ATMs on the Central Coast, plus 30,000 more nationwide with the CO-OP network. Find an ATM at sesloc.org/atms.



We're on TikTok! This app is yet another way we're spreading the credit union philosophy and inspiring our neighbors to break up with big banks. Join us in celebrating our *People & Place*. Follow us and join the fun: @sesloc.



Ranked #18 "Best Places to Work" by Pacific Coast Business Times.



Thanks to members for rating us high on their transaction experience.



Voted Best of North SLO County by Atascadero Colony and Paso Robles Magazine readers.



Voted Best Bank or Credit Union by New Times readers, 15 years in a row.

Federal Holiday Closures

Columbus Day: Monday, October 10 Veterans Day: Friday, November 11 Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, November 24 Christmas Eve: Saturday, December 24 Christmas Day (observed): Monday, December 26 New Year's Day (observed): Monday, January 2

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- 1. Local Rewards bonus points are earned on purchases made at participating Local Businesses only. Participating Local Businesses ("merchants") are subject to change at any time without notice. Participation in Local Rewards does not constitute an endorsement on the part of either the merchant or SESLOC Federal Credit Union. Purchases made at participating merchants processed through third-party services (e.g. DoorDash, Grub Hub, Uber Eats ect.) may not qualify for bonus points under Local Rewards. Local Rewards is part of the SESLOC Rewards program; see seslocrewards.org for complete terms, conditions, restrictions and eligibility that apply.
- 2. See Visa Signature® Rewards card terms and rates, and Visa Signaure benefits at sesloc.org/visa-signature-rewards. See SESLOC Rewards terms at seslocrewards.org. Debit card purchases earn 1 point for every \$2 spent with signature transactions and 1 point for every \$4 spent on transactions using your PIN. All loans subject to credit union approval. See sesloc.org or any branch office for terms, conditions, restrictions and eligibility. Minimum credit limit is \$5,000.00.
- 3. Special offer to receive 25,000 in bonus points when you spend \$2,500 on purchases with the Visa Signature Rewards credit card within the first 60 days from account opening is effective. The Special Offer is subject to cancellation at any time, without notice. The Special Offer is only applicable on purchases made with your Visa Signature Rewards credit card.

BRANCH LOCATIONS

Paso Robles

705 Golden Hill Road

Atascadero

8380 El Camino Real

San Luis Obispo

3807 Broad Street

Arroyo Grande

1399 East Grand Avenue

Santa Maria

2506 South Broadway

Cal Poly Campus University Union Plaza

HEADQUARTERS

3855 Broad Street San Luis Obispo

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 5360

San Luis Obispo, CA 93403-5360

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Contact Center (805) 543-1816

Voice Phone Teller 24-hour account transactions

(805) 543-5624

(888) 4-SESLOC

SESLOCRewards.org (888) 211-1741

Identity Theft Programs For program eligibility: (805) 543-1816

For access to a Privacy Advocate: (800) 357-6392

If eligible, to file a mobile claim: sesloccares.nxgstrategies.com

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> (805) 543-1816 (909) 941-1398*

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