# Annual Report





**Building Stronger Communities Together** 



## Letter from the Chairman and President

## We are pleased to announce that 2017 was an exceptional year for KCT!

Financially, it was the best year in over a decade with income of \$1,484,134, keeping your credit union financially strong with a year-end capital position of 11.47%.

We also invested in the future with a number of projects in 2017 to enhance member experience. One of the projects we would like to highlight is the remodel of the Aurora Branch Lobby. This much needed upgrade creates a modern and open space for members but also makes KCT a better place to work for our fellow team members.

The Board of Directors and Management take our motto of "Building Stronger Communities Together" seriously. As a not-for-profit cooperative financial institution (credit union), we believe our top priority is to help people live better financially. We accomplished this by providing financial advice that people/members can trust. Additionally, KCT has the ability to customize solutions based on individual needs through the unique products and services we have developed, including the Get Out of Debt Loan, Student Loan Refinance and Totally Free Checking. KCT has developed these products and services to help people keep more of their hard-earned money.

Another way to live our motto of "Building Stronger Communities Together" is to partner with like-minded organizations. KCT was recently recognized by Elgin Area School District U-46 as their Business Partner of the Year. This award captures KCT's commitment to the communities we serve! We also developed an Affinity Card Program that enables KCT to give back to school districts by use of school branded debit and credit cards. West Aurora School District 129 was the first district to partner with KCT to provide much needed funds for athletics, band, arts, etc. We are excited to announce our partnership with Gail Borden Public Library to provide KCT products and services at two library locations (coming soon). Two organizations devoted to the communities we serve; Gail Borden Public Library through literacy and KCT through financial literacy.

KCT had a great year in 2017 but none of this would have been possible without the support we received from the members, businesses and communities we have the privilege of serving.

Thank you for helping KCT live our motto!

Best regards,

Dave Kintz Chairman



R. Michael Lee *President/CEO* 





#### Year-end Membership Total



#### **Credit Union Days**

Throughout 2017, KCT held over 30 credit union days and participated in 5 teacher orientations. During the credit union days, KCT staff visited partner locations to provide onsite enrollment and to discuss and answer any questions regarding our products and services. KCT was invited and participated in New Teacher Orientations for School Districts U46, 101, 300, 302 and 304. During these events, KCT sponsored breakfast or lunch and was available to provide onsite enrollment and discuss the benefits of credit union membership.



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In January 2018, KCT was honored as U-46's Business Partner of the Year for our dedication to the district, staff and teachers.

#### **Affinity Programs**

To kick-off the start of the 2017-2018 school year, KCT launched its first affinity card program partnered with West Aurora School District 129. The program offers a Blackhawks' branded debit card and 2 credit cards. With each purchase, a portion of the transaction is given to School District 129 to help fund programs including athletics, fine arts and other after school activities. The program has helped raise nearly \$1,000 and continues to grow each month. Later this year, we will be launching our second affinity program with East Aurora School District 131.



## **KCT** Board of Directors



Dave Kintz Chairman (ECC Chief of Police)

Kim Wagner Vice Chairman & **Credit Committee** Chairman (ECC Exec Dir of Student Financial Services & Auxiliary Ent)



Human Resources for School District U-46)



Jaime Garcia (Executive Director

at Centro de

Información)

Patrick Mogge (Director of Community Engagement & Outreach

at Township High School

District 214)

Fred Heid (District 300 Superintendent)



#### **Gail Borden Branches**

KCT has partnered with Gail Borden Public Library District to open a KCT Branch in the downtown Elgin and South Elgin library locations. We are excited for these new branch locations, not only to offer a more convenient location for our members, but also align with Gail Borden in educating our community by offering financial seminars and KCT products and services to Gail Borden visitors. Both of these branches will be full-service with an ATM located inside, and have the same hours as our other KCT Branch lobbies. The South Elgin branch recently opened on Monday, March 12th, while the downtown Elgin branch is expected to open in the third quarter 2018.

With the opening of the downtown Elgin branch, we will be launching all new youth accounts for kids and teens. These accounts will be designed to help youth establish healthy saving habits, and provide financial literacy to help them learn and become more comfortable with finances.

We will also partner with Gail Borden to host educational financial seminars for the community. These seminars will be free to attend and include topics such as financial literacy, car buying, teacher retirement, student loan forgiveness and home buying.

For updates and news regarding these new branches, stay tuned to kctcu.org or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



#### Gail Borden Elgin Branch (proposed)



#### **Gail Borden South Elgin Branch**







#### Aurora Branch Remodel

Earlier this year, we remodeled our KCT Aurora Branch to maximize the available space and create an updated, open space for our members and staff.

#### **Aurora Branch Lobby**



## **A Year in Review**



\*Source: Datatrac, NCUA, and CUNA. Benefits calculated by comparing loan rates, deposit yields, and account/service fees between credit unions and banks.





Years ending December 31,

	2017	2016	
ASSETS			
Loans	\$ 117,780,718	\$ 98,650,731	
Allowance for Loan Losses	(1,614,714)	(1,056,952)	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	11,990,891	17,856,810	
Investments	88,129,226	93,693,844	
Fixed Assets, Less Depreciation	5,520,281	5,164,270	
Other Assets	4,159,535	3,870,807	
Total Assets	\$ 225,965,936	\$ 218,179,510	
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable, Other	\$ 1,810,462	\$ 1,736,512	
RESERVES			
Regular Reserves	\$ 8,100,000	\$ 6,700,000	
Undivided Earnings	17,819,744	17,735,610	
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	(806,919)	(311,626)	
Total Reserves	\$ 25,112,825	\$ 24,123,984	
MEMBERS' EQUITY			
Regular Shares	\$ 109,221,470	\$ 104,755,588	
All Other Shares	89,821,179	87,563,427	
Total Members' Equity	\$ 199,042,649	\$ 192,319,015	
Total Liabilities, Members' Equity	* 005 005 000	<b>*</b> 040 470 540	
and Reserves	\$ 225,965,936	\$ 218,179,510	

#### **Report of the Credit Committee**



KCT had another positive net loan growth year! Our Membership, Sponsor Employee Groups and the Communities we serve have continued to recognize the enormous savings KCT loan products offer. Our relationship with our Membership is developed by taking the time to educate and ensure that our Members are placed in safe, affordable loan products that meet their needs while sustaining safe and sound loan growth for KCT.

KCT's net loan growth as of year ending December 2017 was \$19.1 million, or 19%, over December 2016. Every consumer loan type experienced growth in 2017. The largest growth came from our Consumer and Mortgage lending products. December 2017 Loan-to-Share and Loan-to-Assets increased to 59.7% and 52.12%, respectively, compared to December 2016 ratios of 51.3% and 45.22%, respectively.

Kim Wagner Vice Chairman & Credit Committee Chairman



## Statement of Income

Years ending December 31,

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	_	2017		2016
OPERATING INCOME				
Interest on Loans	\$	5,731,783	\$	4,557,727
Interest on Investments		2,673,512		2,113,734
Service Charges on Deposits and Loans		992,692		994,860
Other Operating Income		1,638,966		1,277,883
Total Operating Income	\$	11,036,953	\$	8,944,204
OPERATING EXPENSE				
Compensation and Benefits	\$	4,416,500	\$	4,039,180
Office Occupancy		604,752		619,948
Office Operations		727,958		644,099
Professional and Outside Services		613,674		535,795
Loan Servicing		270,020		227,264
Marketing and Promotion		122,449		167,356
Operating Expense, Misc.		607,378		863,588
Provision for Loan Losses		1,465,472		724,370
Borrowing Interest		513,990		—
Supervisory, IDFPR	_	49,899		47,418
Total Operating Expense	\$	9,392,091	\$	7,869,019
Net Operating Income Before Dividends		1,644,862		1,075,185
Dividends Paid to Members	_	253,439		235,750
Net Income from Operation	\$	1,391,423	\$	839,435
NON-OPERATING INCOME (EXPENSE)				
Gain (Loss) on Investments		192,263		185,031
Gain (Loss) on Disposition of Assets				
Other Non-Operating Income (Expense)	_	(99,552)		(23,749)
Total Non-Operating Expense	\$	92,711	\$	161,282
NET INCOME	\$	1,484,134	\$	1,000,717

#### **Report of the Supervisory Committee**



Ray Denning Chairman, Supervisory Committee

The Supervisory Committee's responsibility is to serve KCT's members by ensuring that the Credit Union is operated in accordance with its By-Laws, the Illinois Credit Union Act, and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. This committee receives and reviews member inquiries and resolves any problems that may exist.

The Supervisory Committee contracted the accounting firm Selden Fox Ltd. of Oak Brook, Illinois to perform an annual audit of the credit union. Their report, dated February 1, 2018, states that their audit was performed in accordance to auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Selden Fox CPAs concluded that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Kane County Teachers Credit Union as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

KCT Credit Union contracted Selden Fox for quarterly compliance and procedural assessments. These proactive assessments address emerging regulations and protect our members.



### **Mission Statement**

A member owned and controlled financial institution.

## **Vision Statement**

We (KCT) strive to build lifelong relationships with staff, members, and communities based on total disclosure.

## **KCT Products and Services**

- Free checking with no minimum balance requirements.
- Credit Cards with fixed, low-rates and no annual fees.
- Customized loans that fit your budget and needs.
- KCT mortgage and refinance services, including home equity loans.
- Make sure you're paying the best rate on your loans with KCT's Debt Checkup.
- Financial and retirement planning through KCT Financial Services.
- Over 75,000 surcharge-free ATMs nationwide.
- Access to the CO-OP Shared Branch Network with over 5,000 shared branches throughout the nation.
- Find your nearest ATM or shared branch location by visiting locations.kctcu.org.
- KCT Online/KCT Mobile
  - 24/7 account access
  - Make transfers between accounts, including accounts outside the credit union and other KCT members
  - Schedule recurring or make one-time payments with our free Bill Pay service
  - · Setup savings goals to help you save for your next big purchase
  - · Budgeting tools to help stay on top of your expenses
  - · Deposit checks without visiting a branch with KCT Mobile
- Receive near real-time alerts whenever your KCT Debit or Credit Card is used with the KCT Digital Card app.

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locations.kctcu.org

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