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**CFE Federal Credit Union Wins Coveted
“Best Credit Union” Award**

Lake Mary, Fla. (November 3, 2014) – CFE Federal Credit Union will need to add a few shelves to their already-crowded trophy wall.

The credit union has been voted **Best Credit Union in Central Florida** by readers of the Orlando Business Journal. The publication invited readers to vote for their favorite businesses in more than fifty categories. CFE garnered the highest number of votes among all nominated businesses.

The prestigious distinction comes just weeks after CFE was named **Community Service Champion** and a **Top 10 Company to Work For in Orlando** by the Orlando Sentinel. CFE was also listed as one of the nation’s **Top 30 Credit Unions to Work For in 2015** by Credit Union Journal, a national trade publication.

The recognition comes during a period of record growth for CFE. The \$1.5 billion financial cooperative has experienced a 10% increase in membership during 2014. Much of that growth is the result of strategic alliances formed with two regional institutions of higher education, the University of Central Florida and Seminole State College. CFE is utilizing these connections to attract younger members and teach them lifelong financial management skills.

“We are honored to be named the Best Credit Union in Central Florida, thanks to the support of our members and our community,” said President and CEO, Joseph A. Melbourne, Jr. “These awards reflect CFE’s dedication and commitment to provide the highest quality service and contribute to the vitality of the region.”

Melbourne was recently named one of the Orlando Business Journal’s Inaugural **CEO of the Year Honorees**, a further testament to the community’s appreciation for CFE’s broad influence in Central Florida.

About CFE Federal Credit Union

Founded in 1937 by 23 educators, CFE Federal Credit Union serves over 140,000 members. With more than \$1.5 billion in total assets, CFE offers its members an array of financial products and services at 21 full-service branches, five high school branches, and 43 non-surcharge ATM locations. Anyone who lives, works, worships, volunteers, or attends school in Orange, Seminole, Osceola, and Lake Counties may become a member. Qualified businesses and other entities may join as well. CFE is recognized as a Top 10 Company for Working Families by the Orlando Sentinel and Best Credit Union by readers of the Orlando Business Journal. CFE is the Official Financial Institution of the UCF Knights and owns the naming rights to the CFE Arena on the University of Central Florida campus. CFE is the Preferred Credit Union for Seminole State College.

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