

# Quarterly Report

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Dear Fellow Members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Committees, Management and Staff of Platinum Federal Credit Union (PFCU), I would like to wish every member "Navroz Mubarak!" and to wish all members a successful year.

In this first quarter, we are progressing well with actions to address the key aims in the 2016 strategic plan, including the aim of a well-managed growth. Towards that the board and management are further refining all aspects of PFCU including operations, compliance and training, marketing, technology and a product mix that meet our member's needs, and enhance the health of PFCU.

Check out the unsecured business loans or lines of credit up to \$50,000 to help your business. Talk to our loan officers for your needs of business purchase, facility remodeling, working capital, inventory replenishment or other business needs. Also find out about the 'fresh start' auto loan program to enable members with credit report challenges get an Auto Loan, and help rebuild their credit. Qualified members with poor credit score may still be eligible for an auto loan at PFCU.

We also carried out an analysis of commercial account products and the effects of these on overhead costs relating to their operational, compliance and security needs. Towards that there has been a recent change in the fee structure that affect some accounts to more accurately address those costs.

View the launch of the new PlatinumFCU.org website on your computer, tablet and phone for an informative as well as productive operational experience. Online membership and loan applications are a few clicks away. Also, do you have your EMV chip technology enabled VISA credit/debit cards and MasterCard credit cards from PFCU?

Once more, I thank the member owners for the tremendous support that has resulted in the robust growth and health of PFCU.

Sincerely,  
 Kas Jinnah  
 Chairman

## Election Watch!

Chairman Kassemali Jinnah and the Board of Directors of Platinum Federal Credit Union cordially invite you to our 16th Annual Meeting & Elections!

**Sunday, April 17, 2016  
 Ashiana Banquet Hall  
 5676 Jimmy Carter Blvd.  
 Norcross, GA 30071**

### AGENDA:

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration & Networking  
 Business Meeting & Scholarship Awards  
 Lunch

Mark your calendars now and plan to join the fun.

\*Annual Meeting & Elections are to be attended by PFCU primary members only. In order to attend the meeting, family members and joint account holders will be required to become a primary member by opening an account prior to the meeting.

## Branches here, branches there, branches everywhere!

Now you can find a credit union ready to help you no matter where you go. As a member of the CO-OP shared branching network, Platinum FCU members can conduct their financial transactions at more than 5,000 branches and 2,000 self-service locations in the U.S.! To find a location nearest you, simply visit [www.platinumfcu.org](http://www.platinumfcu.org) and click on the Co-op logo.

And if you don't need a physical branch, you can always access your PFCU accounts with mobile or online banking at [www.platinumfcu.org](http://www.platinumfcu.org) or telephone banking at 1-877-PFCUTEL (732-8835).

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# FRESH START AUTO LOAN PROGRAM

Is a poor credit score standing in the way of your new car? We can help you rebuild your credit through our Fresh Start Auto Loan Program. Qualified members who have a few dings on their credit report may still be eligible for an auto loan at PFCU!

For pre-approval, visit any of our locations or  
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## COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE LOANS

Our experienced lenders are located in Georgia, so they know and understand the Southeastern real estate market. We offer loans for:

- Commercial projects
- Industrial projects
- Office buildings
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Plus, we can provide increased lending amounts for certain property types through our partnership with Credit Union Business Services (CUBS). CUBS' expertise lies in originating, underwriting, and servicing commercial mortgage loans, and SBA 504 loans for real estate investors and business owners.

For more information or to get started today, contact Chief Lending Officer Shaheen Mitha at **404.941.2430** or [Shaheenm@PlatinumFCU.org](mailto:Shaheenm@PlatinumFCU.org).

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\*Platinum Federal Credit Union business loan eligibility requires business membership and the establishment of the par value of one share in a business savings account. Business loans also subject to credit approval. Currently only offered in Georgia.

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\*\*Annual percentage rate.





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MEMBER WEALTH MANAGEMENT

# What Is the Most Tax-Efficient Way to Take a Distribution from a Retirement Plan?

If you receive a distribution from a qualified retirement plan such as a 401(k), you need to consider whether to pay taxes now or to roll over the account to another tax-deferred plan. A correctly implemented rollover can avoid current taxes and allow the funds to continue accumulating tax deferred.

## Paying Current Taxes with a Lump-Sum Distribution

If you decide to take a lump-sum distribution, income taxes are due on the total amount of the distribution and are due in the year in which you cash out. Employers are required to withhold 20% automatically from the check and apply it toward federal income taxes, so you will receive only 80% of your total vested value in the plan.

The advantage of a lump-sum distribution is that you can spend or invest the balance as you wish. The problem with this approach is parting with all those tax dollars. Income taxes on the total distribution are taxed at your marginal income tax rate. If the distribution is large, it could easily move you into a higher tax bracket. Distributions taken prior to age 59½ are subject to an additional 10% federal income tax penalty.

## Deferring Taxes with a Rollover

If you don't want to pay current taxes on your lump-sum distribution, you can roll the money into a traditional IRA.

If you choose a rollover from a tax-deferred plan to a Roth IRA, you must pay income taxes on the total amount converted in that tax year. However, future withdrawals of earnings from a Roth IRA are free of federal income tax after age 59½ as long as the account has been held for at least five tax years.

If you elect to use an IRA rollover, you can avoid potential tax and penalty problems by electing a direct trustee-to-trustee transfer; in other words, the money never passes through your hands. IRA rollovers must be completed within 60 days of the distribution to avoid current taxes and penalties.

An IRA rollover allows your retirement nest egg to continue compounding tax deferred. Remember that you must begin taking annual required minimum distributions (RMDs) from tax-deferred retirement plans after you turn 70½ (the first distribution must be taken no later than April 1 of the year after the year in which you reach age 70½). Failure to take an RMD subjects the funds that should have been withdrawn to a 50% federal income tax penalty.

Of course, there is also the possibility that you may be able to keep the funds with your former employer's plan or move it to your new employer's plan, if allowed by the plans.

Before you decide which method to take for distributions from a qualified retirement plan, it would be prudent to consult with a professional tax advisor.

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	February 2016	November 2015	August 2015	May 31, 2015
Assets:	\$81,448,129	\$72,054,058	\$70,614,095	\$62,384,875
Loans:	\$51,942,075	\$50,366,636	\$46,557,505	\$42,340,846
Members:	7,753	7,760	7,640	7,531



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## Holiday Closings

**Memorial Day :**  
Monday, May 30, 2016

**Independence Day :**  
Monday, July 4, 2016

**Early Closing on Imam Day :**  
Monday, July 11, 2016



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