

**TROPICAL FINANCIAL CREDIT UNION  
OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES**

**NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE  
WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING.  
VOID WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW.**

**OFFERED ONLY TO LEGAL RESIDENTS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA  
AGE 18 OR OLDER.**

**2025 Community Hero** is a contest open to the community where eligible participants may nominate someone they feel should be recognized as a local community hero. Here are the official Contest rules:

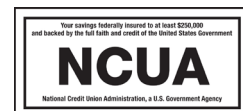
**1. ENTRY PERIOD [Please choose Option 1 or 2 and delete the other option]:**

**[If the Contest runs during a single time period]:** Tropical Financial Credit Community Hero Contest (the “Contest”) is sponsored by Tropical Financial Credit Union (hereinafter, the “Sponsor”). The Contest begins at 12:00:00 AM EST on January 20, 2025 and ends at 11:59:59 PM EST on March 20, 2025 (“Entry Period”).

**2. CONTEST ELIGIBILITY:** The Contest is open only to legal residents of the State of Florida who are 18 years of age or older as of the date of entry. The following persons are not eligible to participate in the Contest: Sponsor; any of Sponsor’s parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, or advertising and promotion agencies; and any employee, officer, director, representative or agent of any of the foregoing persons and the immediate family members (spouses and siblings, children and parents and their spouses, regardless of where they live) or members of the same households (whether related or not) of such individuals. Void where prohibited or restricted by law. Sponsor may verify eligibility at any time. The Sponsor will make any determinations of eligibility. Sponsor’s decision as to eligibility is final.

**3. TO PARTICIPATE:** Eligible participants can enter the Contest in the following manner: completing entry form at <https://www.tropicalfcu.com/yourhero>

Limit one (1) entry per person/email address, regardless of method of entry.



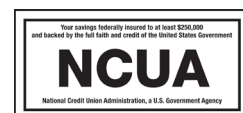
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Entries must not include personally-identifiable information of any person other than the eligible participant; should the eligible participant include personally identifiable information about him/herself in his/her entry, eligible participant acknowledges and agrees that such information will be disclosed publicly and eligible participant is solely responsible for any consequences thereof; Must be the original work of the eligible participant; Must not contain material that violates or infringes another's rights, including but not limited to privacy, publicity or intellectual property rights, including copyright infringement; Must not disparage Sponsor, or any other person or party affiliated with the promotion and administration of this Contest; Must not contain third-party images, sculptures, or artwork that is not the original work of the eligible participant; Must not contain material that is inappropriate, indecent, lewd, pornographic, obscene, hateful, tortious, defamatory, slanderous or libelous; Must not contain any offensive or vulgar language nor depict any pornographic or illegal act; Must not contain material that promotes bigotry, racism, hatred or harm against any group or individual or promotes discrimination based on race, gender, religion, nationality, disability, sexual orientation or age; and; Must not contain material that is unlawful, in violation of, or contrary to the laws or regulations of the United States or the local jurisdiction where the entry is created.

Entries must be received by Sponsor no later than 11:59:59 PM EST on March 20, 2025. Any attempt by a person to use multiple identities, fraudulent transactions, or cancelled transactions to gain more entries than permitted by these Official Rules shall result in disqualification in Sponsor's sole discretion. By participating, entrants warrant and represent that they agree to be bound by these Official Rules and the final decisions of the Sponsor. Entry information becomes the exclusive property of Sponsor upon submission. Proof of submission of entry does not constitute proof of receipt of entry.

**4. CRITERIA FOR CONTEST WINNERS:** On or about March 28, 2025 Sponsor will select the winner from among all eligible entries received. Sponsor will judge the submissions based on the following 3 criteria: 1. the nominee's impact on the community, 2. number of people impacted by his or her actions and 3. the compelling nature of their story. Sponsor, will apply the foregoing criteria and select one winner in its sole discretion. Sponsor's decision of the Contest is final. Winner will be announced within 3 weeks of the submission deadline. There will be a total number of one winner through the entirety of the Contest. Contestants will be judged solely upon the participant's incorporation of the 3 criteria set forth above as compared with other eligible entries received during the Entry Period. In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken by the Sponsor's assessment of the entry's criteria 3 for which it has the ability to determine in its sole discretion.

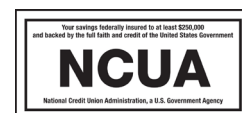
**5. PRIZE:** The Contest winner will receive \$2,500 and a donation of \$500 to a charity of their choice (collectively, the "Prize"). The Prize will be procured, administered, and distributed by



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Sponsor. The total maximum retail value of the Prize is \$3,000 in USD. The total maximum retail value of all Prizes is \$3,000. No prize transfer. No other prize substitution, except at Sponsor sole discretion due to unavailability, in which case a prize of comparable or greater value will be awarded. All taxes (including without limitation Federal, state, and local taxes) in connection with the Prize, and the reporting consequence thereof, are the sole responsibility of the winner. Prize winner shall sign and return an IRS W-9 form within the time period specified by Sponsor, and such winner will receive an IRS Form 1099 issued in his/her name for the actual value of prizes received if required by law.

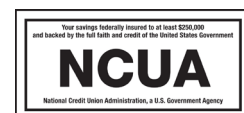
**6. WINNER NOTIFICATION/VERIFICATION/ADDITIONAL PRIZE RESTRICTIONS:** The potential winner(s) will be notified by email and/or telephone call within 3 weeks following the announcement of the potential winner, to verify his/her eligibility and ability to accept the Prize. If such a potential winner is not available or if there is no answer at the time any contact is made, a message will be left, if possible. Any such email or voice message will instruct the potential winner to call a specified telephone number or reply by email within 2 business days (measured in the local time zone) after the time that the notification message was left. Potential winner must complete, electronically sign, and submit a Declaration of Compliance and IRS form W9 within 7 days of the date notice or attempted notice is sent, in order to claim his/her prize. Potential Winner must reply as instructed to identify him/herself, confirm his/her eligibility and ability to accept the Prize, and provide his/her complete contact information within such time period, or he/she will be disqualified. In Sponsor's sole discretion, a potential winner may only be notified one time as set forth above for attempted prize notification. If the potential winner does not respond within the 2 day time period, Sponsor reserves the right to award the Prize to another potential winner by way of applying the criteria to the eligible entries. Proof of identity, age, and legal residence may be required to claim the Prize. Any winner or potential winner may be disqualified in Sponsor's sole discretion if: (a) he/she fails to provide any required information or properly completed documents within the required time period; (b) he/she fails to comply with any of the terms of these Official Rules; or (c) if any Prize or prize notification is returned as undeliverable, any email message left is not timely returned, or any forms sent to potential winner are not timely returned as instructed. In the event of disqualification of a winner or potential winner, at Sponsor's sole discretion the Prize may be awarded to an alternate winner (or runner up) selected from among the remaining applicable eligible entries via the means of winner determination described herein, pending verification of eligibility. All prizes will be awarded. No responsibility is assumed by Sponsor for any incorrect or missing postal address, email address or phone number associated with an entry, or any change of address, email, or phone number of entrant after entry submission. Sponsor will determine any prize details not specified in its sole discretion. Sponsor will not replace any lost, damaged, or stolen prizes. Prizes are awarded as-is and without warranty of any kind, implied or express. Prize will be delivered in person on the date of the announcement at public event as chosen by the sponsor. Sponsor will hold all winning entries for at least sixty days following the completion of the Contest schedule.



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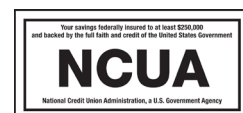
**7. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS:** By participating, entrants warrant and represent that they agree to be bound by these Official Rules and the final decisions of the Sponsor. You represent and warrant that you own or otherwise control all of the rights to the content/deposit(s) that you post; that the content/deposit is/are accurate; that use of the content/deposit(s) you supply/submit does/do not violate the Official Contest Rules or any [intellectual property] rights of a third party and will not cause injury to any person or entity; and that you will indemnify Sponsor, its related entities and its affiliates for all claims resulting from content/deposits you supply submit. Entrants further grant Sponsor and its affiliates and sublicensees the right to use the name that you submit in connection with such content, if they choose. Sponsor has the right to remove or delete any submission, or any part of any submission, if the submission (or any part thereof) contains false, untrue, obscene, or indecent statements or material or if the submission (or any part thereof) violates any applicable law, as determined in their sole discretion.

**8. GENERAL CONDITIONS:** Sponsor, Facebook, Instagram, their parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies, or any wholesalers, retailers, importers, or distributors together with the employees, officers, directors, and agents of each (aforementioned individuals and organizations collectively, the "Releasees") are not responsible and shall not be liable for: [a] failures or malfunctions of phones (including wireless phones/handsets), phone lines or telephone systems or other communications malfunctions; cellular equipment towers, telephone systems or wireless services; [b] interrupted or unavailable network, server or other connections including those through and/or by the Contest Page; [c] electronic, hardware or software program, network, Internet or computer malfunctions, failures, or difficulties of any kind, including without limitation, server malfunction or by any human error which may occur in the processing of entries; [d] failed, garbled, lost, misrouted or scrambled transmissions; [e] any error, omission, interruption, defect or delay in any transmission or communication or other errors or problems of any kind whether mechanical, human, technical, electronic, cellular telephone related or otherwise; [f] traffic congestion on the Internet or for any technical problem, including but not limited to any injury or damage to entrant's or any other person's computer or wireless phone/handset related to or resulting from participation in this Contest; [g] late, lost, incomplete, damaged, or misdirected entries, email messages, or postage-due mail; [h] any condition caused by events beyond the control of the Sponsor that may cause the Contest to be disrupted or corrupted; or [i] printing errors in Contest / advertising materials. By entering and participating, entrants agree to: [a] abide by these Official Rules and by the decisions of Sponsor, whose decisions are final and binding on all matters pertaining to this Contest; [b] the use of their names, photographs, testimonials or other likeness and/or prize information or personal exposition (and/or any edited portion thereof) by Sponsor and its designee(s) for promotional, advertising and/or publicity purposes in any media, now or hereafter known throughout the universe in perpetuity, including but not limited to the posting of their names on the Contest Page, without compensation or notice to, or further consent of, to the winner to the extent permitted by law; and [c] to release, discharge and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all injuries, liability, losses and damages of any kind resulting from their participation in the



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Contest or their acceptance, use or misuse of any prize awarded in this Contest, including, without limitation, personal injury, death and property damage. Failure to comply with the Official Rules may result in disqualification at Sponsor's sole discretion and selection of an alternate winner. All federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. **CAUTION: ANY ATTEMPT BY A CONTEST ENTRANT OR ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL TO DELIBERATELY DAMAGE ANY WEB SITE OR UNDERMINE THE LEGITIMATE OPERATION OF THE CONTEST IS A VIOLATION OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LAWS AND SHOULD SUCH AN ATTEMPT BE MADE, SPONSOR AND ITS DESIGNEES RESERVE THE RIGHT TO SEEK DAMAGES FROM ANY SUCH CONTEST ENTRANT TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.** Internet entry must be made by the entrant only at the authorized Contest Page [tropicalfcu.com/hero](http://tropicalfcu.com/hero) and completing the online entry form or through the Entry Methods listed above. Entries may not be made by any other individual or any entity, and/or originate at any unauthorized Internet web site or email address, including, but not limited to, commercial Contest subscription notification and/or entering service sites. Any potential winner who entered by any of the prohibited methods described above will be disqualified and an alternate winner will be selected. In the event of a dispute regarding the identity of the person submitting an entry, the entry will be deemed to be submitted by the "authorized account holder" associated with the email account at the time of entry, who must comply with these Official Rules. Potential winner may be required to provide evidence (to the Sponsor's satisfaction) that they are the authorized account holder of the email address associated with a winning entry. The authorized account holder is defined as the natural person who is assigned an email address by an Internet access provider, an online service provider, or another organization that is responsible for assigning email addresses or the domain associated with the submitted email address. In the event a dispute regarding the identity of the person who actually submitted an entry cannot be resolved to Sponsor's satisfaction, the affected entry will be deemed ineligible. Sponsor reserves the right at its sole discretion to disqualify any individual it finds to be tampering with the entry process or the operation of the Contest or any associated web site; to be acting in violation of the Official Rules; or to be acting in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten or harass any other person. If, for any reason, the Contest is not capable of running as planned by reason of damage by computer virus, worms, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical limitations or failures, strikes, industry conditions, bankruptcy or liquidation, marketplace demands, applicable law, unforeseen obstacles, or any other causes which, in the sole opinion of Sponsor, could corrupt, compromise, undermine, or otherwise affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, viability, or proper conduct of the Contest, Sponsor reserves the right in its sole and absolute discretion to cancel, terminate, modify, or suspend all or any part of the Contest, and to select the applicable winner(s) from among the applicable eligible, non-suspect entries received up to the time of such cancellation, termination, modification, or suspension, as applicable, or to proceed in such a manner as may be deemed fair and equitable by Sponsor in its sole discretion.



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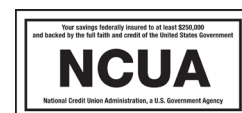
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**9. GOVERNING LAW:** Except where prohibited, each entrant agrees that any and all disputes, claims and causes of action arising out of, or connected with, the Contest or any prize awarded shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, and exclusively by the appropriate court located in the State of Florida. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, entrant's rights and obligations, or the rights and obligations of Sponsor in connection with the Contest, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules (whether of the State of Florida or any other jurisdiction), which would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Florida. Under no circumstances will participant be permitted to obtain awards for, and waives all rights to claim, punitive, incidental, or consequential damages, or any other damages, including attorneys' fees, and participant further waives all rights to have damages multiplied or increased.

**10. PRIVACY:** Information submitted in connection with the Contest will be treated in accordance with these Official Contest Rules and the Sponsor's Privacy Policy located at: [tropicalfcu.com](http://tropicalfcu.com)

**11. SEVERABILITY/HEADINGS:** If any provision of these Official Rules is found to be unlawful, void or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from these Official Rules and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions. Headings and captions are used in these Official Rules solely for convenience of reference and shall not be deemed to affect in any manner the meaning or intent of these Official Rules or any provision hereof.

**10. WINNER LIST:** The name, city and state of the winner can be requested from Sponsor for approximately 60 days beginning on or about April 12, 2025. For a list of the winners of the



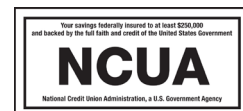
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Contest or for a copy of these Official Contest Rules, mail a self-addressed stamped envelope for receipt by April 30, 2025 to Sponsor at the below address.

Sponsor: Tropical Financial Credit Union 3050 Corporate Way, Miramar, FL 33025

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