



Has anyone at your credit union submitted an idea for the **2026 Spark Tank Competition** yet? **Please email your completed application to Heathor Balazy (hbalazy@trueccu.com) by March 3rd.**

This competition challenges young professionals to showcase their innovative ideas on beneficial products, services, or concepts for their credit unions or the credit union movement. It's an exciting opportunity to shine and make an impact! Semi-finalists present their ideas during the YP Leadership Summit, and five finalists will present on Center Stage at ACE26. Consumers Credit Union's Kevin Knoll was named the 2025 CU Spark Tank winner!

Are you up for the challenge?

Go to mcul.org/cusparktank for other helpful information, details about the competition, and the contestant application.

The winner and runner-up of the finals in June will receive prizes, including a scholarship and networking opportunities.

Here's what's in it for your employees:

- Show off talents: Got a creative idea?
 - Share it with the team and make an impact!
- Grow skills:
 - Practice pitching and public speaking skills!
- Win Amazing Rewards: The chapter-level winner gets:
 - One-on-one lunches with credit union CEOs
 - A scholarship to attend the MCUL Executive Summit
 - Networking with many individuals in the industry!

Event Details: CU Spark Tank competition will begin at 9:00 am.

March 10, 2026 9-11:00 am

Zeal Credit Union Community Room, 17250 Newburgh Rd, Livonia MI 48152

Bring your CU team to help cheer on your CU Participant. Light snacks and beverages will be provided.