



Maine Credit Union League

Chapter Officers | Overview

A credit union chapter consists of credit unions brought together to cooperate and collaborate in their geographical regions. The chapter system serves as a valuable resource for credit unions for training, networking, and community service.

What Is a Chapter Officer?

A chapter officer is a volunteer leader from a member credit union who helps guide and support a regional credit union chapter—organizing activities, facilitating collaboration, and supporting the mission of the Maine Credit Union League. Officers make meetings happen, energize educational events like Financial Fitness Fairs, and spark meaningful networking opportunities. Together, these efforts move the Maine credit union movement forward.

What Are the Chapter Officer Roles?

- **President** – Leads the chapter, sets agendas, runs meetings, and provides overall direction and goals for the chapter.
- **Vice President** – Supports the President and steps in when needed; often helps lead events and coordinate chapter initiatives.
- **Secretary** – Maintains meeting notes, manages communications, and ensures records are organized and shared.
- **Treasurer** – Manages the chapter's finances including spending, fundraising, and dues collection (*if applicable*), and provides fiscal updates.

Why Become an Officer?

- **Grow as a leader** – Develop leadership, communication, and organizational skills.
- **Expand your network** – Build relationships with peers and like-minded individuals across the Maine credit union movement.
- **Make a Local Impact** – Support your community in meaningful ways through fundraising efforts, financial education outreach, and more.

- **Advance the Movement** – Help strengthen the cooperative spirit that makes credit unions unique.

What's the Commitment?

- Typically, you would attend and run a few meetings and events per year (typically ~ 3-4 annually).
 - Meetings are usually around one (1) hour long, though special meetings and events can be longer.
- Participate in occasional planning to include emails and calls with fellow chapter officers.
- The role is designed to be manageable, fitting alongside your full-time role.

Who Should Consider Becoming a Chapter Officer?

- Those passionate about credit unions and community impact.
- Emerging leaders looking to grow and connect.
- Experienced professionals who want to give back and mentor.

What's The Bottom Line?

Being a chapter officer is a chance to:

- Lead locally.
- Connect meaningfully.
- Put the *People Helping People* philosophy into practice.