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HomeTown Credit Union's Melissa Kuhl Earns Certified Credit Union Financial Counselor Designation

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OWATONNA, MN — February 1, 2026 — HomeTown Credit Union is proud to announce that Melissa Kuhl, Community Engagement Coordinator, has earned the **Certified Credit Union Financial Counselor (CCUFC)** designation through **America's Credit Unions (CUNA)**.

The CCUFC certification equips credit union professionals with the skills and knowledge needed to guide members toward sound financial decisions and long-term financial well-being. To earn the designation, Kuhl completed a comprehensive certification program aimed at providing knowledge and skill to support members through every phase of their financial journey. The training emphasizes practical financial counseling techniques that help individuals navigate real-life money decisions and work toward long-term financial success.

"This certification reflects Melissa's commitment to helping our members feel confident and informed about their finances," said Kurt Halverson, VP of Business Development and Marketing. "Education is one of HomeTown Credit Union's core values, and Melissa's achievement strengthens our ability to deliver meaningful financial guidance to the communities we serve."

As Community Engagement Coordinator, Kuhl works closely with members and community partners to promote financial education and empowerment. Earning the CCUFC designation further enhances her ability to provide practical tools that help individuals reach their personalized financial goals.

As part of her role, Kuhl also offers FREE one-on-one financial coaching sessions available to anyone in HomeTown's service area, whether they're a member or not. These sessions provide a supportive, judgment-free opportunity to discuss topics such as budgeting, managing debt, building savings, and setting personal money goals. The CCUFC certification further enhances Kuhl's ability to offer sound guidance and is just another way HomeTown is working to be a trusted financial partner within the community.

To schedule free financial coaching sessions, Melissa Kuhl can be reached via email at MKuhl@HomeTownCU.coop.

About HomeTown Credit Union
Founded in 1974, HomeTown Credit Union is a member-owned financial cooperative serving more than 25,000 members across southern Minnesota. As a credit union, HomeTown puts people over profits — reinvesting in members through competitive rates, financial education, community engagement, and initiatives that strengthen the places they service.