BOARD ACTION MEMORANDUM

TO: NCUA Board DATE: May 16, 2019

FROM: Office of Credit Union Resources and **SUBJ:** CURE Resources Available to

Expansion (CURE) Credit Unions

ACTION REQUESTED: No action requested.

DATE ACTION REQUESTED: N/A

BUDGET IMPACT, IF ANY: None

SUBMITTED TO INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR REVIEW: No

RESPONSIBLE STAFF MEMBERS: Martha Ninichuk, Director Office of Credit Union Resources and Expansion

SUMMARY: At the May 2019, NCUA Board meeting the Office of Credit Union Resources and Expansion (CURE) will provide an update on its efforts in assisting credit unions with their growth and outreach efforts. The report will focus on the following initiatives and programs.

New Charter Modernization efforts are underway. The NCUA staff are beginning to research ways to modernize the charter process. The modernization effort will automate processes and streamline procedures. NCUA will offer pre-developed business models that organizing groups may choose from as a sort of plug and play option. Based on the model type, a list of recommended resources will be provided such as lists of regulations to follow, and types of policies required.

In July, as a part of the modernization process, we will be launching an online portal for organizing groups seeking to charter a new credit union. Through a series of screens, this online portal assists the organizing groups in identifying the purpose and core values of the credit union and the type of field of membership, including whether or not the institution will be a minority depository institution.

In addition, NCUA will post a new Low-Income Designation Area Workbook to assist organizing groups and credit unions in determining low-income areas. Credit unions may further low-income outreach by specifically targeting potential new members residing in one of the low-income designated geographic areas within the field of membership.

An overview of the NCUA's Minority Depository Institution Preservation program will be provided with an emphasis on resources available to these credit unions. Resources include free online training that address specific issues faced by small and minority credit unions,

collaboration opportunities through WebEx meetings and teleconference as well as access to grants and loans if the MDI holds a NCUA low income designation.

The 2019 Community Development Revolving Loan and Grant Fund (CDRLF) grant round will be announced and initiatives will be discussed with a special emphasis on the Underserved Initiative.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None.