



# OWNER'S MANUAL



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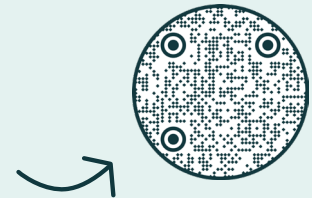
When it comes to your money, you have a million decisions to make. Every day you have to think about how and where you will spend your money. You will worry if you are saving enough. And you may even be thinking about whether you need to borrow money. The great news is that you are on the right path. You now are an owner of a cooperative credit union, wholly focused on making you more financially stable and secure. Alltru Credit Union is your partner for all the decisions you have in front of you and we couldn't be more excited to help.

You should also know that Alltru is here for your community. We are a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), which means we work specifically to provide accessible products and services to everyone in your community, regardless of their income, credit score or ability. We believe that for too long the banking industry has been intentionally intimidating and difficult to work with and Alltru is mission driven to break down hurdles to wealth building for all. Your investment in Alltru makes us stronger and that means, you are in fact creating a stronger St. Louis for all.



**Craig**  
Alltru Member

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about our mission, visit  
[TheBetterWayToBank.org](https://TheBetterWayToBank.org)  
or scan the QR code here.



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## FROM OUR MEMBER

**“Compared to a big bank, Alltru really cares about you as a person. It feels a lot different from any other bank because its more about me than just my money.”**

**Marcy**  
Alltru Member

## YOUR FIRST STEPS

We are here to provide you with the tools to help you with every financial decision in front of you. Use this guidebook as a resource not only in your first weeks and months, but whenever you need a little extra support as new financial questions find you.

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**YOU'RE NOT A CUSTOMER. YOU'RE AN OWNER.**

# **The Alltru Difference: The Better Way to Bank**

**It seems like there's a bank on every corner, and they're constantly advertising for your business. A credit union is a lot like a bank – but Alltru Credit Union is better.**

## **1. YOU'RE NOT A CUSTOMER. YOU'RE AN OWNER.**

When you join Alltru Credit Union, you become a member and owner. Along with your fellow owners, you have the chance to elect or run for our volunteer board of directors. You get a direct line to the top – and you can rest assured they're looking out for your best interests because they don't make income from the decisions they make on your behalf.

## **2. WE ARE A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BANKING INSTITUTION.**

We believe stronger communities benefit everyone. We are proud to both take the lead and stand beside our members as we make our cities even better places to live, work and play. We are an official Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), meaning it is part of our primary mission to deploy accessible and affordable loans to residents experiencing low income and credit challenges, and maintain accountability to our communities.



**Sean**  
Alltru Member

## **3. BETTER, MORE PERSONALIZED SERVICE.**

It's easy to get lost at a bank, to feel like just another set of numbers. Not so at Alltru Credit Union. The staff at your local branch will get to know you (if that's what you want). Most importantly, whether you work with us in person, online or over the phone, we'll take the time to help you get the products you need. No hard sales. Because we are a member owned cooperative, we only exist to help you reach your goals.

## **4. HIGHER-INTEREST SAVINGS. LOWER-INTEREST LOANS.**

Alltru Credit Union is a not for profit banking institution. So, unlike a bank, we're not here to make money off you. We're here to save you money. With us, you'll earn more on your savings and pay less on your loans.

## **5. BRANCHES AND ATMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.**

Your money is your money, so you should be able to access it anywhere. Alltru is part of nationwide network of credit unions, giving you free access to 5,000 branches and 30,000 free ATMs from coast to coast. See a full list of CO-OP ATM locations on our website.





**Bradley**  
Alltru Member

## Access Your Account Your Way

You are busy. You don't always have time to visit a branch during normal business hours. Alltru has been working hard for many years to give you all the convenient options you need to access your account from wherever you are.

### 1. VIDEO BANKING AND CHAT

When you need to have a conversation with Alltru but you don't have the time to come in, you can visit our website to initiate a face to face video chat or text chat with an Alltru representative. Or download Alltru's Video Banking app.

### 2. FREE ONLINE BILL PAY

With our free online bill pay, you can receive, view and pay bills all in one location and set up email alerts for bill arrivals.

### 3. CARD MANAGEMENT

If you've lost or had your debit card stolen, you can easily turn your card off instantly within the Alltru mobile banking app. When it's found, you can turn it right back on with the flip of a switch at any time of day.

### 4. SAVINGS GOALS

You have big and small goals. Use the Alltru mobile banking app to set up transfers and establish your savings goals. Make your dreams a reality by making a plan.

### 5. ALERTS AND NOTIFICATIONS

When your balance goes below a set threshold, or a debit card purchase is made or it's just time to pay your utility bills, the Alltru mobile banking app can be your best friend. Set up notifications and alerts to keep your finances on time and on track.

### 6. ALL YOUR ACCOUNTS IN ONE PLACE

Add your accounts from other institutions in your Alltru online banking account and view all of your financial information (balances, transaction history, merchant spending averages) in one place for on-the-go organization.

Check out online and mobile banking.



# Common Roadblocks

Everyone wants financial stability and success, but we are all experiencing our finances differently. Alltru Credit Union wants to help you understand your unique situation and how you can best move forward.

## Which of the following roadblocks do you relate to right now?

- My monthly expenses are more than my income.  
See page 15 for Free Budget and Credit Counseling
- My credit is damaged or I have no credit.  
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- I have an unexpected expense but no emergency savings balance.  
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- I don't have any idea how to prepare for retirement.  
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See page 22 about Youth Spending and Savings accounts

No matter where you are currently with your finances, Alltru was created to help you navigate it all. Call us or stop by. We'd love to help you build a plan.

# New Member Checklist

When you become a new owner at Alltru, you may not know where to start. Use the guide below to make the transition as easy and effective as possible.

## FIRST DAY

- ☐ Enroll in online banking and download the Alltru mobile banking app.
- ☐ Put your new account card somewhere secure.

## FIRST WEEK

- ☐ Move your direct deposits and automatic payments to your new checking account.
- ☐ Set up account alerts in online banking.
- ☐ Sign up for eStatements in online banking.
- ☐ Use your new debit card for the first time.

## FIRST MONTH

- ☐ Schedule a personal finance counseling session to find out how Alltru can lower your loan payments or build a credit repair plan.
- ☐ Set up your savings plan inside online banking.
- ☐ Set up your payees in bill pay and begin paying your monthly bills.

## FIRST YEAR

- ☐ Attend the Alltru Annual Meeting to vote on your Board of Directors.
- ☐ Schedule a meeting with Alltru Investment Services to establish your investment plan.



## How to Buy or Refinance a House

### Mortgage

If you are considering a refinance of your existing mortgage loan, let Alltru be your partner. We can help you determine if now is the right time for you, and walk you through every step of the process.

As you start to buy a home, you'll quickly learn that not everyone is looking out for you, and that even the smallest detail can cost you a lot of time and money. The entire team at Alltru is here to help you make the right decisions along the way.

### Home Equity Loan or Line of Credit

A home equity loan acts like a traditional loan – helping you draw on the equity of your home to borrow money at a low rate. You can use the money for anything: home repairs or upgrades, education expenses, even a vacation. It's up to you.

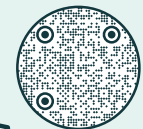
- Low fixed rates and flexible terms up to 15 years.
- No closing costs and no hidden fees.
- Funds you can use your way, all supported by a friendly, knowledgeable staff.

### Home Improvement

Ready to boost your home's curb appeal? Looking to give your house a little TLC? Alltru Credit Union can help you make those dreams come true, even if you haven't built much equity in your home yet. With an Alltru Home Improvement loan, you'll get a lower rate than with a credit card or store financing arrangement. Plus, we'll make it easy to consolidate your improvements into one, easy monthly payment.

- Loan amounts from \$2,500 to \$25,000. A wide range of projects needs a wide range of funds.
- Flexible terms up to 180 months.  
We know things take time.
- Friendly, knowledgeable support staff.  
We're here when you need us.

Check out our home loan products.



## Goal Setting

**Your financial needs may change quickly. A new job, baby or divorce may put you on a whole new unexpected path without notice. Your financial goals should be actively pursued, but as you face new terrains in life, know that we are behind you and ready to help you adapt.**

The following pages are going to talk about common ways to address big and small financial situations. Alltru has a product or service to help you along every path. Call, click or stop by so we can talk more and help you make the complicated decisions.

**Michael**  
Alltru Member





# How to Build Credit

## Credit Builder Loan

The money you borrow will be held as collateral as you make your monthly payments – and when your loan is paid off, the money will be released to you. You'll have saved a nice chunk of money, and you'll have established credit or improved your credit score, which can help you qualify for lower loan rates in the future. Plus, when you make all loan payments on time, we will refund you half of the interest paid right back to you. It's a great first step to a bright financial future!

- ✓ Loan amounts from \$300–\$1,000
- ✓ Payment history reported to credit bureaus
- ✓ Loan terms of 12 months
- ✓ 50% of interest refunded with on-time payments

## Debt Consolidation and Personal Loans

Use a Personal Loan to refinance multiple balances into a single loan payment. These loans don't require any collateral and have flexibility for the amount you need and varied terms to make repayment possible.

## Line of Credit

Could you use a little extra cash? Sure, we all could now and then. Now you can tie a line of credit to your Alltru Credit Union savings or checking account and grab a little cash when you need it.

## Blue Forward Credit Card

You've worked hard to get back on your feet – and now we're going to help you keep going. This credit card is designed to help you build credit. While you buy the things you need, you'll also be creating a healthy payment history, all without the burden of high fees or high interest from ordinary cards.

## Blue Secure Credit Card

Secured by funds in your account – this credit card gives you access to low-cost credit without high fees or interest. It works just like an ordinary credit card and is the easiest, fastest way for you to rebuild your credit.



**Jessica**  
Alltru Member

## Budget and Credit Counseling

Our Certified Financial Counselors are dedicated and passionate about helping people meet their financial goals. We're trained to help our members with their credit and enhance their lives through one-on-one financial counseling.

If you need help with home budgeting, debt management, credit rebuilding, or any other financial concern, we can help. And best of all, this service is free for Alltru members. Your counselor will review your credit report with you thoroughly and help you find areas where you can make improvements.\* It's completely free and confidential and only takes about 30 minutes.

Take the first step, make an appointment online to meet with one of our certified financial counselors at our Hazelwood, St. Louis, St. Charles or Wentzville locations. We won't judge you, we'll help you!

\*Credit report used in Financial Review will be pulled from [freeannualcreditreport.com](https://freeannualcreditreport.com).



# How to Build Savings

## RollUp Savings

Your debit card purchases can help you reach your savings goals. That's right – with each purchase, we'll round up to the next dollar and put the change in your RollUp Savings account.<sup>1</sup> It's easy, automatic and painless – bringing new meaning to the phrase, “keep the change.”

## High Yield Online Savings

What if your savings could grow faster – 5.4 times faster – just by having your money with Alltru? It can, with our High Yield Online Savings account.<sup>2</sup> You'll get the freedom to manage your account online while your money grows – with no monthly fees and no minimum balance.

## Holiday Savings

If you're like most people, you want to make the holidays a special time – and the Holiday Savings account from Alltru can help you set aside funds each month so that you are prepared. Your funds are automatically transferred into your Alltru Checking account in mid-October.

## Health Savings Account

Healthcare expenses can be scary – but we can help you ease the sting a little. Your Alltru Health Savings account<sup>3</sup> lets you save toward future medical expenses. Even better, these savings are pre-tax – so you're effectively reducing your taxable income, which saves you even more.

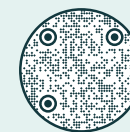
## CDs & IRAs

It's your future – so at Alltru, we give you a lot of different ways to save for it. Whether you're putting money away for a short-term goal or saving for retirement. Our Certificates of Deposit (CDs) and Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs)<sup>4</sup> let you set money aside and earn more interest than a traditional savings account.

## Money Market

You've worked hard for your money – now it's time to make sure it returns the favor. With Alltru's Money Market<sup>5</sup> accounts, the more you save, the more interest you'll earn. And unlike CDs or IRA accounts, you always have access to your money.

**Each account is federally insured up to \$250,000 by the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA). Compare savings here.**



**Meaghan**  
Alltru Member



\*APY=Annual Percentage Yield. Rates effective 3/6/23. Rates are subject to change.

1. RollUp Savings Accounts earn 5.01% APY on the first \$250. Balances over \$250 will earn a rate of 0.10% APY. 2. High Yield Online Savings Account balances between \$0-\$25,000 will earn a 1.90% APY, if qualifications are met. Balances greater than \$25,000 will receive the primary savings account APY of 0.05%. Qualification to earn dividends at the disclosed rate include: (a) consent to receive your periodic statements electronically; and (b) have an open, active checking account with us, with at least 1 ACH deposit or withdrawal per month. No minimum balance requirements apply. All transactions, including transfers, deposits, and withdrawals, must be conducted online. Only one High Yield Online Savings account may be opened per social security number. 3. Alltru Credit Union makes the HSA account as a custodian only. See the HSA disclosure online at TheBetterWayToBank.org for eligibility, additional requirements and tax implications. 4. CDs & IRAs – Early withdraw penalties may apply. All CDs and IRAs require a minimum deposit of \$250. 5. Money Market Accounts – You must maintain at least \$250 in your Money Market account each day to obtain the disclosed APY and to avoid a \$10 fee.

# How to Spend Better

## Rewards Checking

Choose the rewards<sup>1</sup> that fit your life and no balance minimums, with TailorMade Checking.

### You Can Pick Three Rewards:

- Earn a competitive interest rate on your entire balance.
- Get up to \$25 in ATM fees refunded every month.
- Receive two overdraft fee refunds every year, because we know accidents happen.
- A bonus on your CD so you can make more on your long-term savings.
- Loan rate rebate added to your checking account each month.
- Skip your loan payment once a year and we'll refund the fee.

## Opportunity Checking

Brighter tomorrows are ahead. When other institutions have said you don't qualify for a checking account, Alltru is here to give you the second chance you deserve.

### Monthly Fee:

\$8 with direct deposit

\$10 without direct deposit

### Features:

- For members ages 18+ with little or challenged credit history
- Free budget and credit counseling
- After 12 months, accounts are auto reviewed for eligibility to become a FREE cash back rewards checking

1. Earn rewards on Rewards Checking accounts only. Must meet account requirements to qualify including, but not limited to \$5,000 minimum combined account (loans/checking/savings) balance excluding real estate products, be enrolled in e-statements and one (1) direct deposit or withdrawal each month. If all requirements are not met, member benefits are not valid for the qualifying period and rewards are not earned for that period. Rewards Checking accounts are subject to credit qualifications. 2. Any member under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian on a checking and/or savings account. Rates effective 10/3/17. Rates subject to change. See credit union for full account terms and conditions.

## Business Checking

Small businesses are the lifeblood of our community. That's why we've designed our Business Checking accounts to give you the most control of your money – while giving you free access to tools that can help you grow.

### Features:

- Access to nationwide CO-OP and ATM network
- Access to full Business Services Suite
- Free online and mobile banking
- Free debit card
- No monthly fees

## Visa Credit Cards

The world increasingly runs on credit cards – and Alltru Credit Union helps you keep up by offering you the best of the best. Our range of Visa cards let you select a card to match your spending habits and needs – from rewards to low-rate to credit building credit cards.



### Alltru Signature Rewards

Earn 1.00% cash back, travel rewards, or gift cards<sup>1</sup>.



### Alltru Premier Rate

Say farewell to high interest rates.

### Every Alltru Visa card includes:

- ✓ Access to the free Visa credit card app
- ✓ Contactless payments via Apple Pay, Android Pay and Samsung Pay
- ✓ Zero fraud liability protection\*
- ✓ Helpful, friendly, local service

1. Rewards are not earned on balance transfers. Purchase rewards may be redeemed at CUREwards.com. Every 2,500 points may be converted for \$25 cash back to the credit card account or the rewards may be redeemed at CUREwards.com. For more details, please visit TheBetterWayToBank.org for rates and fee tables, as well as Additional Disclosures. NMLS ID # 408163

# How to Prepare for Retirement

## Planning and Investing

Meet with our Investment Services team to start planning for your future. We start with a great conversation, focused on your goals and your needs. We evaluate and analyze everything we learn to chart a path for you to address your goals.

Our investment recommendations are just the start. We stay connected and monitor and evaluate how your investments are performing relative to your goals and offer advice along the way.

## Total Financial Picture

Where do you stand today – and where do you want to go in the future? Not sure? Don't worry. We can help you answer that and these questions:

- When can I retire?
- Can I pay for my kids' education?
- What happens to my family if my income stops?

Securities and advisory services are offered through LPL Financial (LPL), a registered investment advisor and broker/dealer (member FINRA/SIPC). Insurance products are offered through LPL or its licensed affiliates. Alltru Credit Union and Alltru Investment Services **are not** registered as a broker/dealer or investment advisor. Registered representatives of LPL offer products and services using Alltru Investment Services, and may also be employees of Alltru Credit Union. These products and services are being offered through LPL or its affiliates, which are separate entities from and not affiliates of Alltru Credit Union or Alltru Investment Services. Securities and insurance offered through LPL or its affiliates are:

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**Paige**  
Alltru Member

# How to Buy or Refinance a Car

Let Alltru walk you through the process of buying your next car or save money by refinancing your car quickly and easily.

## Auto Loans

If you love the car you have, but want to lower your payment, Alltru is the place to start. Let us quickly and easily refinance your existing auto loan from another lender with no fees or closing costs to lower your payment and/or your rate.

- Low rates and flexible terms up to 84 months and financing up to 120% of MSRP and NADA.
- No hidden fees and no pre-payment penalties.

## OnTime Auto

This auto loan is for those who have limited credit and are in the process of rebuilding.

## Boat, RV and Motorcycle

Dreaming of adventure and the open road – or water? We can get you there. We offer a range of RV, boat and motorcycle loans that put your next big trip a lot closer than you think.

## Payment Protection

If you get sick or you total your vehicle, a loan insurance product will cover your payments or pay off your loan.





**Alijah + Emrie**  
Alltru Members

## How to Teach Kids About Money

Kids start learning the moment they are born. Whether you know it or not, they are learning and picking up your habits which is why it's key to set a good example for them to follow later. At Alltru Credit Union, we have great accounts to start them off on the right financial path.

### Cubby Youth Savings

There's nothing more rewarding than watching your savings grow. Alltru will help you instill this lesson early, with a fun savings account that packs rewards around every turn for kids 12 and under.

### StepOne Teen Checking

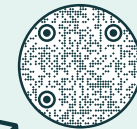
This account makes it easy for you to show your teenagers how to manage their money, including saving for the things they want and shopping responsibly with a debit card. For ages 13 and up.

## 'How To' Learning Center

We've got everything you need all in one place including how to guides, tutorials and FAQs to help you on your financial journey. Whether it's walking you through how to self-service your account or how to use video banking, we're here for you.

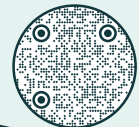
Browse our online Learning Center to find resources on a variety topics like:

How to use video banking



How to Teach Kids and Teens about Money

How to setup automatic transfers



How to set up and use mobile check deposits (SnapDeposit)

How to make a loan payment



And more!



# Alltru Branch Locations

## Shared Branches

Visit our website to view all shared branch locations. Text your ZIP code to 91989 to find nearby ATM and Shared Branch locations.

### Downtown St. Louis

1407 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63103

*\*No Drive-Thru Access*

### Hazelwood

5916 North Lindbergh  
Hazelwood, MO 63042

### St. Charles

1721 Zumbuhl Road  
St. Charles, MO 63303

### Wentzville

1232 Wentzville Parkway  
Wentzville, MO 63385

## Lobby Hours

Mon-Tue | 9:00am – 5:00pm  
Wednesday | 10:00am – 5:00pm  
Thursday | 9:00am – 5:00pm  
Friday | 9:00am – 6:00pm  
Saturday | 9:00am – 12:00pm

## Drive-Thru Hours

Mon-Tue | 8:00am – 6:00pm  
Wednesday | 10:00am – 6:00pm  
Thursday | 8:00am – 6:00pm  
Friday | 8:00am – 6:00pm  
Saturday | 8:00am – 12:00pm

If you live, work, worship, or attend school in St. Charles county, St. Louis county, or the City of St. Louis you're eligible to become a member of Alltru Credit Union. You can also join if you have an immediate family member who is already a member of Alltru.



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