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## **Hughes staff, members raise more than \$15,000 for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals**

**Tucson, AZ – December 27, 2016** – Hughes Federal Credit Union employees came together over the holiday season to raise money for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals®. After participating in two fundraisers and selling candy bars at local branches throughout the year, Hughes also participated in the annual radiothon in 2016.

Hughes generated \$15,021.45 in donations as part of Credit Union for Kids®, benefitting Children's Miracle Network Hospitals and TMC for Children. Credit Unions for Kids is the most comprehensive fundraising vehicle for members of the credit union movement, which benefits the group's charity of choice, Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

“We want to give a big thank you to our hard-working staff and member-owners for their generous contributions to our spring and fall 2016 fundraisers for this great cause,” said Kellie Terhune Neely, Hughes Federal Credit Union Vice President of Marketing. “We also thank Co-Op ATM network for their fall Miracle Match and 94.9 MixFM for hosting the radiothon.”

“Hughes has a strong commitment to the communities we serve. As a not-for-profit, locally-owned financial cooperative, our focus is on people; not profit,” said Terhune Neely. “Every year we help numerous organizations through our *Hughes Helps* program with financial and volunteer support, youth and adult financial education and much more. We were honored to be able to support TMC for Children again this year.”

Established in 1952, Hughes is a local financial cooperative owned by its 107,000 members. Making a positive difference in the financial lives of their members and giving back to the communities they serve are the driving forces behind Hughes Federal Credit Union's success. For more information visit [HughesFCU.org](http://HughesFCU.org) or call 520-794-8341.

*Hughes Helps* Gives Back to Southern Arizona - YouTube <http://bit.ly/HughesHelps>

*Hughes Federal Credit Union has \$1 billion in assets and is federally insured by the National Credit Union Administration. In 2016, Hughes was the Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Community Service Award winner. The award, sponsored by the Mountain West Credit Union Association (MWCUA) and the Credit Union National Association (CUNA), is given to a credit union for outstanding commitment to community service projects. The*

*award was named after credit union pioneer Dora Maxwell and recognizes credit unions that promote social responsibility within the community.*

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