

the Little buffalos Savings Club



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Have you ever wondered why we celebrate Halloween?

Well, it hasn't always been about dressing up and getting a bag full of candy. Halloween originated 2,000 years ago in Europe, but it wasn't called Halloween. It was called Samhain, a time when spirits were set free to mark the beginning of winter.

What about pumpkins?

Most people carved pumpkins or similar vegetables, to represent and welcome their ancestors back home. Much like today, many liked to present their carvings in front facing windows to light the spirit's path.



While some welcomed their relatives home with sweet treats and pumpkin carvings, others dressed in spooky attire to blend in with the ghostly beings. Those dressed up in costumes would play pranks on their friends and blame it on the spirits. Halloween's fun nature didn't begin until the 1940s, when the first costume companies began to emerge. (Wow, that's a long time after the first Halloween!) We all owe these companies a special thanks for making the spooky night a little more lighthearted.

While Halloween has Changed Over the Years, the Importance of Saving Remains the Same...

What're you dressing up as for Halloween? Dressing up and trick-or-treating is a great time with many sweet treats. Sometimes, eating too much Halloween candy can make you feel sick. Halloween candy is almost like money! When you save some of your Halloween candy for later, you enjoy it more and have treats for a longer amount of time. If you put your money into a [savings account](#), you'll earn dividends. That means you make more money to enjoy later and for a longer amount of time. Thankfully, Halloween can keep the cobwebs because your account will continue to grow the longer your money sits.



Are you ready to save?

Saving money is a sign that you are growing up and are ready to begin your financial journey. Having a savings account is a very smart start down the right financial path. The great thing about saving money is that you can save for whatever you would like. The options are endless and totally up to you!

Start saving today, you won't regret it.



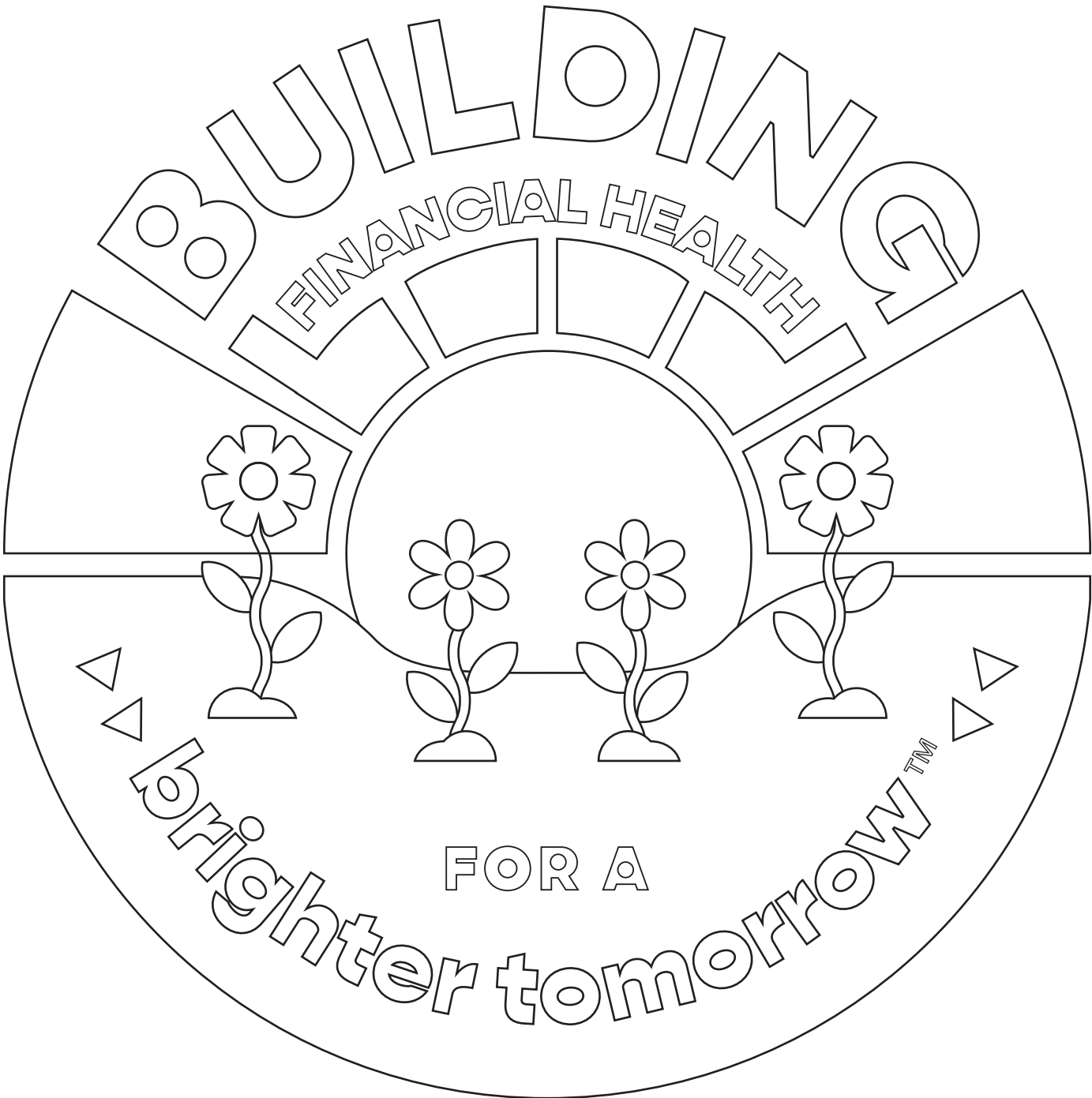
Little Buffalo's we need your help! Brighten our branch and send us your coloring page for a chance to win \$25 and a Swag Bag.

Directions:

- Color the International Credit Union Day Coloring Page
- Once completed ask a trusted adult to send a photo of your coloring page to marketing@doifcu.org
- Send in your coloring by 10/08/21 for a chance to win!
- The winning art piece will be presented for all IFCU members to see on our website and in our DC Branch location.

Best of luck!

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