

## GAC Tracker #4

**This is the fourth of a series of weekly update emails you will receive from the Association leading up to the conference providing key developments, local information and complimentary member activities, and important features about the GAC. Please review the information contained in previous trackers released by the Association at the bottom of this email chain. Please feel free to share this information with other attendees from your credit union.**

### **1. Washington D.C. Vaccination and Mask Requirements**

This week, Washington D.C. city officials announced that they are ending their vaccine verification requirement effective February 15, 2022. They have also indicated the indoor mask requirement will expire on February 28. Therefore, please note the following as you prepare to travel to the Capitol:

- You are no longer required to complete the Safe Expo verification process to access CUNA GAC.
- While the city-wide mask requirement is expected to expire, the Walter E. Washington Convention Center may continue to require masks. CUNA is seeking confirmation of their policy.
- Some restaurants, hotels and private businesses may require proof of vaccination. It is recommended that carry a copy of your vaccination card with you or on your phone.

Additional details can be found on our CUNA GAC [Health & Safety page](#). We will continue to provide updates as they become available.

### **2. Conference Registration for Virtual and In-Person Options**

Conference registration for both the virtual and in-person options remains open and can be completed through CUNA. Registration for the virtual option is available [HERE](#). Registration for the on-person option is available [HERE](#).

### **3. Reminder: Advance Federal Issues Briefing and Hill Visit Schedule; Virtual Briefing RSVP Requested**

As a reminder, the Association will host a virtual federal issues briefing this Tuesday February 22 at 1:00 p.m. All Association members are invited and may register by sending your name, title, and email to [govaff-events@ccua.org](mailto:govaff-events@ccua.org) and indicate "Briefing."

Please find more information on the virtual meeting schedules:

[Delaware](#) [Massachusetts](#) [New Hampshire](#) [Rhode Island](#)

### **4. Meeting Materials**

All meeting materials are posted electronically on the Association's website as they become available. Credit unions are encouraged to review the materials electronically prior to the conference and bring any materials of interest necessary for the conference with them to Washington.

Electronic materials may be accessed the following manner:

- Visit the "2022 CUNA GAC" page on the Association's website: [2022 CUNA GAC webpage](#).

New materials added this week include:

- State Briefing Books - [Delaware](#) [Massachusetts](#) [New Hampshire](#) [Rhode Island](#)

- [2022 Congressional Advocacy Issues and Talking Points for Members](#)
- Emerging Issues
  - Overdraft

[Overdraft Services Checklist](#)

[Overdraft Protection Best Practices to Minimize Risk](#)

[Overdraft Protection Applicable Laws, Regulation, and Guidance](#)

- Digital Assets

[Digital Assets Talking Points](#)

## **5. 2022 GAC Crashers Update**

The Association held a series of drop-in sessions to assist our local GAC Crashers as they prepare to travel to D.C. for the industry's largest advocacy event. The sessions were intended to brief Crashers on conference logistics, professional development and networking opportunities, and local Association events to supplement the Crasher and CUNA programming. Credit union GAC-veterans are encouraged to seek out and welcome our Crashers on-site.

## **6. Reminder to Participate in Association Social Media Campaign**

To increase the strength of the voice of member credit unions before Congress, the Association has launched a new social media campaign targeted toward advancing the credit union message before key stakeholders. GAC registration is not required to participate. Any Association member can join the effort at any time.

As the GAC serves to highlight the essential nature of credit unions, you are encouraged to share your story with legislators. You can help the Association build enthusiasm by participating in the new #LetsTalkAboutCredit Unions social media campaign, which launches today.

Join the effort to be a social media influencer for credit unions, highlighted during the largest national credit union grassroots advocacy program, by following these easy steps:

1. [Print the "Let's Talk About Credit Unions" placard.](#)
2. Write how your credit union makes a difference on the placard
3. Take a photo with your placard.
4. Share your photo on social media with the hashtag **#LetsTalkAboutCreditUnions**. You can tag the Cooperative Credit Union Association on Twitter @CooperativeCUA or on Facebook @cooperativecreditunionassociation.

You can also email your photo to [communications@ccua.org](mailto:communications@ccua.org) and it will be shared on your behalf.

Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns at [govaff-events@ccua.org](mailto:govaff-events@ccua.org) or [communications@ccua.org](mailto:communications@ccua.org).

## **Upcoming Important Dates Prior to GAC:**

- Association Member Federal Issues Briefing, Tuesday February 22, 2022, 1:00 p.m.