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**VANTAGE WEST CREDIT UNION ANNOUNCES  
MERGER WITH TOMBSTONE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**

TUCSON, Ariz. (April 28, 2014) – Vantage West Credit Union, ([www.vantagewest.org](http://www.vantagewest.org)) Southern Arizona’s largest credit union, today announced its merger with Tombstone Federal Credit Union.

The merger becomes effective May 1, at which point Vantage West will begin servicing Tombstone Federal accounts and the financial institution’s approximately 2,000 members through a seamless transition that includes updates to the branch’s appearance, services, website and technology. Tombstone Federal Credit Union’s single branch is located at 218 S. Sumner, Tombstone, Ariz., 85638. The merger will effectively add Cochise to the counties the credit union can serve through its state charter. Currently Vantage West serves Pima, Pinal and Maricopa counties.

Vantage West will host a member appreciation day at the new Tombstone branch location from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 9, to welcome all members from Tombstone Federal Credit Union and those interested in joining the credit union.

“As we continue to expand our services throughout Southern Arizona, we are excited for the opportunity to bring our wide array of personal and business financial services to Tombstone and

the rest of Cochise County,” said Robert D. Ramirez, president and CEO of Vantage West Credit Union.

Vantage West is Southern Arizona’s largest credit union, with \$1.3 billion in assets. The credit union has 16 branches in Pima, Pinal and Maricopa counties. Tombstone will be its 17th branch.

Vantage West signage will be added to the Tombstone branch on May 1, 2014, and the complete technology conversion is planned for July 1.

**About Vantage West Credit Union**

Vantage West is a \$1.3 billion credit union, serving a membership of 125,000 in Pima, Pinal and Maricopa counties. The merger expands service to Cochise County. It was founded in 1955 originally as the federally-chartered DMAFB Federal Credit Union serving military and civilian personnel working at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. [www.vantagewest.org](http://www.vantagewest.org)

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