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**VANTAGE WEST SETS RECORD IN 2017 READERS' CHOICE AWARDS,
WINNING BEST BANK/CREDIT UNION AND 16 MORE**



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TUCSON, Arizona. (September 7, 2017) – Vantage West Credit Union, southern Arizona’s largest credit union, emerged the biggest overall winner in the 2017 Arizona Daily Star Readers’ Choice Awards. Vantage West was named WINNER in 10 categories, including **Best Bank/Credit Union**, and FAVORITE in 7 additional categories.

Results of the annual opinion poll conducted in the Tucson community were announced during the 2017 Arizona Daily Star/tucson.com Readers' Choice Awards ceremony held on August 30, 2017.

“We would like to thank our members and our community, whose support propelled us to achieving this record number of wins. We truly appreciate this overwhelming vote of confidence from the public. This will only enhance our motivation to find ways to return value to those who have supported us, so we can continue to collaborate and prosper together,” said Robert D. Ramirez, Vantage West President and CEO.

Vantage West was honored with 17 accolades, as follows:

Voted WINNER in 10 Categories:

- Best Bank/Credit Union
- Best Debit Card
- Best Credit Card
- Best Community Partner
- Best Community Presence
- Best Membership Organization
- Best Overall Company to Work For
- Most Innovative Workplace
- Best Benefits Program
- Best Boss (Bob Ramirez)

Voted FAVORITE in 7 Other Categories:

- Best Financial Planning Service
- Best Locally Owned Business
- Best Mortgage Lender
- Best Workplace Culture
- Best Adult Education/Enrichment Classes
- Best Locally Owned Service
- Best Training Program

This is the third year of the Readers' Choice Awards contest and the third year in which Vantage West has earned accolades. To learn more about Vantage West Credit Union, visit vantagewest.org.

About Vantage West Credit Union

Vantage West Credit Union is a \$1.7-billion financial institution and the largest in southern Arizona, which serves a growing membership of more than 148,000. Vantage West has 17 branches in Pima, Pinal, Maricopa and Cochise counties and serves its vast global membership via online channels, as well. Vantage West is a full-service financial institution, offering consumer and business loans, credit cards, and deposit products, as well as retirement accounts and other financial services. Vantage West is federally insured by NCUA.