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PREMIER MEMBERS CREDIT UNION DONATING MATCHING FUNDS TO YMR TRAIN SHOPPE

Youth Model Railroading Increasing Size of space – Grand Re-Opening on August 12

Broomfield, Colo. (August___, 2023) – Premier Members Credit Union will be matching funds, by donating \$2500, to help the Youth Model Railroading Train Shoppe create a larger space.

The YMR Train Shoppe, located at 3973 W. 73rd Avenue in Westminster is completely volunteer run. The model train club is dedicated to children ages 8-18. For over 25 years, this organization has helped educate and support the next generation of rail enthusiasts by teaching techniques in modeling, electronics, and the artistry of model railroading, while providing members a common outlet for sharing their passion for trains.

The YMR Train Shoppe was started as a fundraiser in 2016. It was in a small unit of about 120 sq ft, that had been donated by the owner of the building. Any product inside the shop came from donations to the club, and it is completely run by volunteer members of the club. Open only on Fridays and Saturdays, all profits go toward the Denver Youth in Model Railroading.

At the beginning of 2023, the unit next door to the Train Shoppe, which is about 500 sq ft larger, was vacated. It needed cleaning and repainting, plus new display shelving, lights and other misc. items to make the new space workable. The new Grand Re-opening is now scheduled for on Aug 12th.

The club started a GoFundMe account and promoted the need for funds on their Facebook page. Jeffrey Kash, AVP Community Relations from Premier Members Credit Union stepped in to provide a match of \$2500 so they only needed to raise \$2500.

"The new larger space will improve the Train Shoppe with more space for customers, better displays, space for small layouts and more displays for inventory, said Larry Price, manager and conductor.

"We support local community nonprofits like the youth model railroading train shoppe with funds to help them grow and flourish for years to come," said Jeffrey Kash, AVP of Community Relations at Premier Members Credit Union. "One of our company pillars is Premier: Gives, where we provide the communities we serve with funds and employee volunteers."

About Premier Members: Premier Members Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial institution dedicated to providing financial solutions to individuals and businesses in Colorado's Front Range. With more than 77,000 members, \$1.7 billion in assets, and 17 retail branches, Premier Members is a leader in the credit union industry. In addition to being at the forefront of the industry in sustainable business practices, Premier Members takes

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