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Gulf Winds Credit Union

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**University of West Florida Hosting Free Financial Workshop
Open to the Public**

Pensacola, FL. (November 10, 2022) — The University of West Florida and Gulf Winds Cares Foundation are partnering to put on a series of free financial workshops, open to the public. These workshops cover different financial topics presented by experts in the fields of accounting and personal finance.

The next workshop is Wednesday, November 16, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm at the Earl J. Bowden Building in Downtown Pensacola. Rich Preston, Branch Manager for NEXA Mortgage, will lead the workshop titled *Navigating the Home Loan Process*. Mr. Preston will be discussing the difference between getting pre-qualified versus pre-approved, the criteria that determines how much someone can borrow, and how to get approved, stay approved and plan for the future of a home mortgage loan.

Anyone interested in attending this workshop should register at uwf.edu/maygardencenter.

Navigating the Home Loan Process

Rich Preston
Branch Manager, NEXA Mortgage

Wednesday, November 16, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
Earl J. Bowden Building (120 Church St., Pensacola)

Rich Preston is a Branch Manager for NEXA Mortgage and focuses primarily with helping clients on the Gulf Coast of Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi. He is a nationally licensed Mortgage Loan Officer specializing in mortgages for home purchase, refinance, rehab, and new construction. Rich is a certified Veteran Lending Specialist by the National Association of Mortgage Brokers with the ability to assist with any type of mortgage in 48 states, DC, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. [NMLS# 1735238]

The next Financial Workshop, Putting Your Financial House in Order, is scheduled for January 24, Noon – 1:00 pm in the Commons Auditorium at the University of West Florida.

About Gulf Winds and the Gulf Winds Cares Foundation:

The Gulf Winds Cares Foundation was founded in 2021 to formalize the longstanding charitable efforts. Since 1954, Gulf Winds Credit Union has offered products and services that empower our members to live their best financial lives. Gulf Winds provides 75,000+ members with the convenience of 13 branch locations, digital banking, nationwide surcharge-free ATMs and the support of more than 215 knowledgeable employees committed to providing excellent service. Membership is open to anyone that lives, works, worships or attends school in North Florida, Southern Alabama and Southern Georgia. Visit GoGulfWinds.com for more information.