



Fall into financial wellness!

We're excited to celebrate [International Credit Union Day](#) (ICU Day) this month! In honor of this annual event, we are thanking all our members who make our work possible. It is our pleasure to put our members on a path of achieving their financial dreams, and we couldn't do it without *you*.

Speaking of our wonderful members, check out our latest [membership spotlight](#) highlighting another one of our Freehold/Howell Branch members!



This month, there are plenty of exciting activities and events to enjoy in Monmouth & Ocean Counties. Check out our latest blog on [things to do in the area](#) to fully embrace the fall season! And don't forget to head over to our [blog](#) and subscribe by entering your email address at the top right.

Thank you for Thinking First and enjoy October - one of the most beautiful months in New Jersey!



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And, as of October 12th – we're doubling your rewards by offering 3% cash back on all holiday season purchases up to \$3,000 through 12/23!+

Apply Today!



**HOW TO PAY OFF
STUDENT LOAN DEBT FASTER**

Not only can paying off your student loans cause a strain on your budget, but it can also prevent you from meeting your financial goals. Whether it's making extra payments or refinancing, **here are some ways to help pay off your student loans faster**.

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HOME IMPROVEMENT LOAN: FALL INTO THOSE DIY PROJECTS

Fall in love with your home this autumn! Our [Home Improvement Loan](#) is available to help you create your dream living space.** It's time to move those "wants" to the top of your to-do list!

Apply Today!



Last month was National Preparedness Month, part of FEMA’s effort to raise awareness of disaster readiness. Considering the devastation Hurricane Ian recently brought forth to Southwest Florida, [here are some tips](#) to help keep your family safe in an emergency.

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Scammers are always creating new ways to steal your money. One of the recent scams that utilizes peer-to-peer payment services is known as the “Pay Yourself Scam.” The best way to avoid this scam is to know what to look for. [Continue reading](#) to see how it all unfolds.

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VIRTUAL SEMINARS & HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Sunday, October 16 – [Join or Donate to the First Financial Fighters Making Strides Against Breast Cancer](#) in Pt. Pleasant Beach at 10am

Monday, October 17 – [Social Security & Your Retirement Virtual Seminar](#) at 6pm

Thursday, October 27 – [Understanding Medicare Virtual Seminar](#) at 6:30pm

Tuesday, November 1 – [The Return of Conservative Investing Virtual Seminar](#) at 6pm

Thursday, November 10 – [Income for Life Virtual Seminar](#) at 6pm

Friday, November 11 – All locations will be closed in observance of Veterans Day

Monday, November 14 – [Transitions to Retirement Virtual Seminar](#) at 6pm



FIRST FINANCIAL'S CURRENT OPERATING HOURS

Our lobby and drive thru locations continue to remain open with extended hours of operation. View our [current operating hours](#) on our website. To set up an appointment at your local branch, call (732) 312-1500.

Be sure to also check our [website](#), social media channels, and [COVID-19 page](#) for the latest updates on our hours of operation.

MEMBER TESTIMONIAL OF THE MONTH

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The thing I like most about banking with First Financial, is how simple it is to do business there.

— **Daryl J.**,
Neptune Member

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+All Cash Plus Card purchases made between 10/12/22 and 12/23/22 will automatically earn 3% cash back for eligible purchases up to \$3,000.

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