

Paw Prints

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*It's financial
literacy month!*



Storing Up “Treasure” for Your Savings Goals

Think of your FAT CAT® Share Account as a treasure chest for your money where you keep it safe and secure until you need it. Sometimes, the treasure is saved for **short-term goals**, such as a toy, book, or game. Other times, it is saved for **long-term goals** that may cost more, like a bike or special trip.

Saving money can take time and patience. The good news is, saving consistently will help fill the “treasure chest” for all your goals. Short-term saving can help with things you want or need very soon. Long-term saving can help you dream big and plan for the future. When you deposit the money you’ve earned or received as a gift into your FAT CAT Share Account, you’re building a treasure chest of good saving habits, too!

MAKE YOUR “TREASURE” GO FURTHER

When it’s time to spend some of your treasure on your savings goals, bargain hunting can help you get the best value for your money. One way to save on purchases is to wait for the item to go on sale so that you spend less. Other ways to save include using coupons for discounts, or comparing prices at several stores and finding the best deal before you buy.

Remember: Every smart saving and spending choice will bring you closer to your next goal. Keep being a paw-some saver, and happy hunting for treasured deals!

State Quarters: A Treasure Trove of History

If you look at the quarters you and your family have on hand, you may find some with a unique design on the back representing each of the 50 states. These designs were minted in the U.S. from 1999-2008 as part of the 50 State Quarters Program. The back of the North Carolina quarter shows a plane to honor the Wright brothers and their first airplane flight that took place on the Outer Banks. Other state quarters include animals, moments in U.S. history, buildings and monuments, and nature scenes. Building a quarters collection is a fun way to learn about money. Finding each state can add a new treasure to your collection!

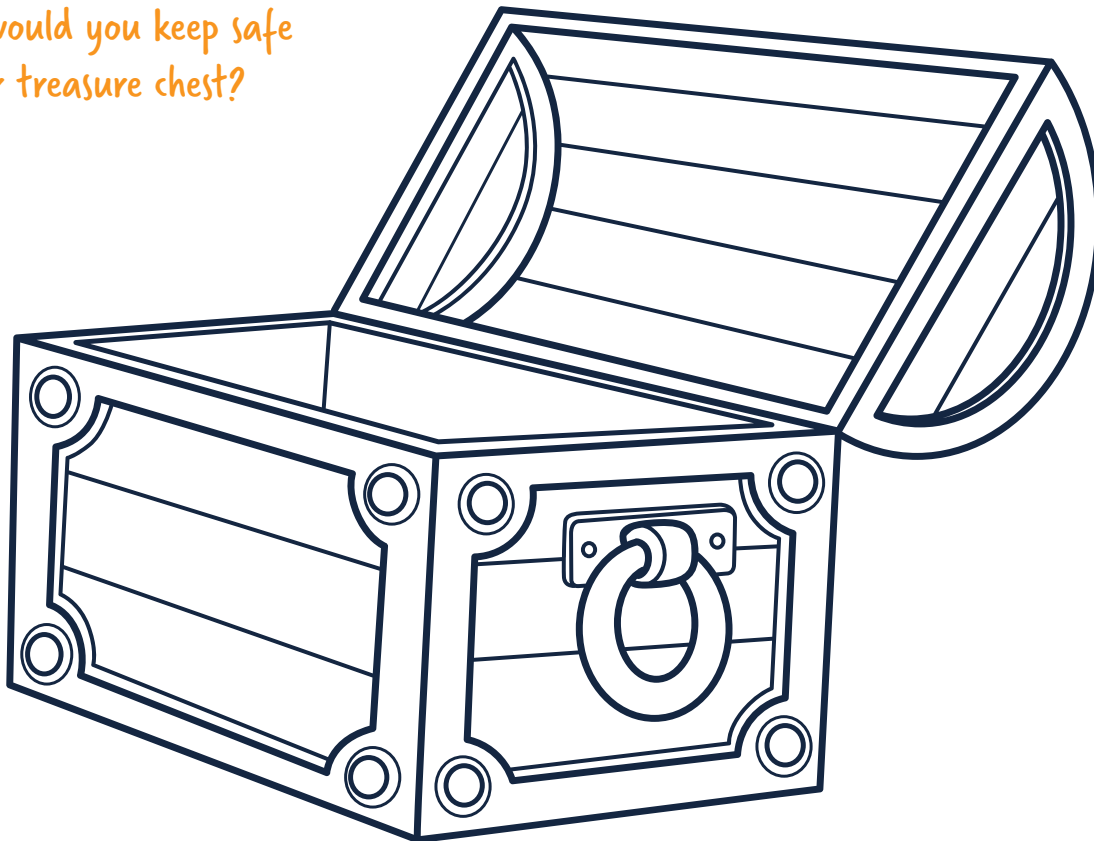
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the spot!*

Complete the coloring!

View previous winners in FAT CAT's Art Gallery at www.cufatcats.org!

Send in your completed activity along with your full name, address, and age by **June 1, 2026** for the chance to win in a random drawing. Winners will receive a FAT CAT backpack!

What would you keep safe in your treasure chest?



IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARENTS:

If you are willing to have your child's submission published in the newsletter and/or on the cufatcats.org website, please complete, sign, and mail this form in along with your child's submission. We will not publish your child's last name or street address. Thank you!

Child's full name: _____ Child's age: _____

Parent/Guardian full name: _____

Parent/Guardian address: _____

Please check each statement that applies. I give State Employees' Credit Union permission:

to publish my child's first name, age, and hometown in FAT CAT Paw Prints and/or on the cufatcats.org website.

to publish my child's artwork or story in FAT CAT Paw Prints and/or on the cufatcats.org website.

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____

Email a photo of the coloring page to marketing@ncsecu.org, or submit your entry at your local branch or by mail: FAT CAT - State Employees' Credit Union, PO Box 27948, Raleigh, NC 27611.