



MORRIS COOPERATIVE & DONNELLY COOPERATIVE ANNOUNCE MERGER TALKS

November 25, 2025

Member-owners are encouraged to review the merger information, attend meetings, and vote

On November 25, 2025, Morris Cooperative and Donnelly Cooperative jointly announced that their respective Boards of Directors had unanimously approved a Letter of Intent (LOI) to initiate discussions regarding a potential merger. Following an initial internal and independent analysis to assess associated risks and benefits, both Boards have given the green light to proceed with merger discussions and commence the drafting of a Definitive Agreement.

The proposed merger would bring together two long-standing cooperatives with deep local roots and a shared dedication to operational excellence and member success. By combining resources, expertise, and infrastructure, Morris and Donnelly Cooperatives aim to create a stronger, more efficient organization positioned to meet the evolving needs of members while preserving the local connections that define both cooperatives.

“Our cooperatives have worked side by side for decades, often serving the same members and communities,” said Brian Kruize, CEO of Morris Cooperative. “This step allows us to explore how we can do even more together — improving efficiency, enhancing services, and continuing to reinvest in the people and places that have supported us for generations.”

Mitch Daly, CEO of Donnelly Cooperative, emphasized the shared values and community focus that unite the organizations. “At its heart, this is about building a stronger future for our members. By aligning our operations, we can achieve greater stability, protect our members’ equity, and continue to provide the personalized service and local decision-making our members count on.”

The leadership and board of directors of both cooperatives are committed to a transparent and thoughtful process, with member engagement and clear communication at every stage. Further updates will be shared as the discussions progress.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the CEO of either cooperative.

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