## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 24, 2018

## UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

No. 001-35095 (Commission File Number) No. 58-180-7304 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

125 Highway 515 East
<u>Blairsville, Georgia 30512</u>
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (706) 781-2265

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following

prov	risions:
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Indi	cate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§240.405 of this chapter)
or R	tule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 24, 2018, United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Registrant") issued a news release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2018 (the "News Release"). The News Release, including financial schedules, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. In connection with issuing the News Release, on July 25, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. ET, the Registrant intends to hold a conference call/webcast to discuss the News Release. In addition to the News Release, during the conference call the Registrant intends to discuss certain financial information contained in the Second Quarter 2018 Investor Presentation (the "Investor Presentation"), which was posted to the Registrant's website at www.ucbi.com on July 24, 2018. The Investor Presentation is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The presentation of the Registrant's financial information contains financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP. The financial information includes certain operating performance measures, which exclude merger-related and other charges that are not considered part of recurring operations, such as "operating net income," "operating net income, per diluted share," "tangible book value per common share," "operating return on common equity," "operating return on tangible common equity," "operating return on tangible common equity," "operating return on assets," "operating dividend payout ratio," "operating efficiency ratio," "average tangible equity to average assets," "average tangible common equity to average assets," and "tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets." These non-GAAP measures are included because Management believes they may provide useful supplemental information for evaluating Management's underlying performance trends. These measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative to or substitute for, measures determined in accordance with GAAP, and are not necessarily comparable to non-GAAP measures that may be presented by other companies. To the extent applicable, reconciliations of these non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable measures as reported in accordance with GAAP are included in the News Release and the Investor Presentation attached as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d)	Exhibits
Exhibit No.	Description
<u>99.1</u>	News Release, dated July 24, 2018
99.2	Investor Presentation, Second Quarter 2018

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

By: /s/ Jefferson L. Harralson

Jefferson L. Harralson Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 24, 2018



#### For Immediate Release

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### United Community Banks, Inc. Announces Strong Second Quarter Results Continued Margin Expansion, EPS up 26% year over year

BLAIRSVILLE, GA - July 24, 2018

United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: UCBI) ("United") showed strong second quarter results, with solid year-over-year loan and deposit growth, efficiency improvements and continued outstanding asset quality trends. Reported earnings per share were \$0.49, up 26 percent from a year ago. Excluding merger-related and other charges, earnings per share were \$0.53, up 29 percent from a year ago. United also enhanced profitability with increases in return on assets and return on tangible equity.

Notable highlights for the quarter included strong performance from United's recently acquired equipment finance company, Navitas Credit Corporation, as well as meaningful margin expansion. United also saw increased production in its mortgage, SBA, and brokerage units. The quarter included a one-time increase in tax expense due to changes in the Georgia state tax law.

"I am pleased with our second quarter performance and am excited about the remainder of the year." said Lynn Harton, United's Chief Executive Officer. "Our teams continue to deliver outstanding service to our clients, as evidenced by their recognition this quarter by J.D. Power as having the highest Retail Banking Satisfaction in the Southeast for the fifth consecutive year. Our new markets and investments are doing very well and have strong expectations for the balance of the year. We continue to make progress on our return on assets targets and are proud to have attained a 1.39% return on assets this quarter on an operating basis."

#### **Second Quarter 2018 Financial Highlights:**

- Return on assets of 1.30 percent, or 1.39 percent, excluding merger-related and other charges
- Return on common equity was 11.2 percent. Excluding merger-related and other charges, return on tangible common equity was 15.8 percent
- Loan growth, excluding planned runoff of the indirect portfolio, of 4% on an annualized basis
- Record loan production of \$812 million vs. \$667 million in Q2 2017

- Solid performance from Navitas with \$42 million in Q2 loan and lease growth
- Net interest margin of 3.90 percent, up 10 basis points from the first quarter of 2018 and up 43 basis points from a year ago
- Efficiency ratio of 57.9 percent, or 55.8 percent, excluding merger-related and other charges
- Net charge offs of seven basis points, compared with eight basis points last quarter
- Nonperforming assets of 0.20 percent of total assets, compared with 0.24 percent at both March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017.

### Conference Call

United will hold a conference call, Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at 11 a.m. ET to discuss the contents of this press release and to share business highlights for the quarter. To access the call, dial (877) 380-5665 and use the conference number 5575248. The conference call also will be webcast and available for replay for 30 days by selecting "Events & Presentations" within the Investor Relations section of United's website at www.ucbi.com.

	2018 Second First		_	Fourth		2017 Third	•	Second	Second Quarter 2018-201	r	For the Six Months Ended June 30,			ded	YTD 2018-2017		
(in thousands, except per share data)	Quar			ıarter		)uarter		)uarter		Quarter	Change		_	2018	30	2017	Change
INCOME SUMMARY	- Quiux		4.		_	<u>tturter</u>	_	<u>cuur ter</u>	_	<u> </u>	Change	_					
Interest revenue	\$ 122,	215	\$ 1	15,290	\$	106,757	\$	98,839	\$	93,166			\$ 2	237,505	\$	184,124	
Interest expense	13,	739		12,005		9,249		9,064		8,018				25,744		15,422	
Net interest revenue	108,			03,285	_	97,508		89,775	_	85,148	2	27%	- 2	211,761	_	168,702	26%
Provision for credit losses		800		3,800		1,200		1,000		800				5,600		1,600	
Noninterest income	23,	340	:	22,396		21,928		20,573		23,685	(	(1)		45,736		45,759	-
Total revenue	130,	016	1.	21,881		118,236	_	109,348		108,033	2	20	- 2	251,897		212,861	18
Expenses	76,	850		73,475		75,882		65,674		63,229	2	22	1	150,325		126,055	19
Income before income tax expense	53,	166	_	48,406	_	42,354	_	43,674		44,804	1	19	1	101,572		86,806	17
Income tax expense		532		10,748		54,270		15,728		16,537	(1	L8)		24,280		35,015	(31)
Net income		634	_	37,658	_	(11,916)	_	27,946		28,267		10	_	77,292		51,791	49
Merger-related and other charges		873		2,646		7,358		3,420		1,830				5,519		3,884	
Income tax benefit of merger-related and other charges		121)		(628)		(1,165)		(1,147)		(675)				(749)		(1,433)	
Impact of remeasurement of deferred tax asset	(	1=1)		(020)		(1,100)		(1,1)		(0,0)				(/ 10)		(1, 100)	
resulting from 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act		_		_		38,199		_		_				_		_	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged						,											
in OCI		_		_		_		_		_				_		3,400	
Net income - operating <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 42,	386	\$ :	39,676	\$	32,476	\$	30,219	\$	29,422	4	14	\$	82,062	\$	57,642	42
PERFORMANCE MEASURES																	
Per common share:																	
Diluted net income - GAAP	\$ 0	).49	\$	0.47	\$	(0.16)	\$	0.38	\$	0.39	2	26	\$	0.97	\$	0.72	35
Diluted net income - operating (1)	C	0.53		0.50		0.42		0.41		0.41	2	29		1.03		0.80	29
Cash dividends declared	C	).15		0.12		0.10		0.10		0.09	$\epsilon$	57		0.27		0.18	50
Book value	17	7.29		17.02		16.67		16.50		15.83		9		17.29		15.83	9
Tangible book value <sup>(3)</sup>	13	3.25		12.96		13.65		14.11		13.74	(	(4)		13.25		13.74	(4)
Key performance ratios:																	
Return on common equity - GAAP (2)(4)	11	1.20%		11.11%		(3.57)%	,	9.22%		9.98%				11.15%		9.27%	
Return on common equity - operating (1)(2) (4)	11	1.97		11.71		9.73		9.97		10.39				11.84		10.32	
Return on tangible common equity - operating $^{(1)(2)(3)(4)}$	10	5.79		15.26		11.93		11.93		12.19				15.53		12.15	
Return on assets - GAAP <sup>(4)</sup>																	
		1.30		1.26		(0.40)		1.01		1.06				1.28		0.98	
Return on assets - operating (1)(4)		1.39		1.33		1.10		1.09		1.10				1.36		1.09	
Dividend payout ratio - GAAP		0.61		25.53		(62.50)		26.32		23.08				27.84		25.00	
Dividend payout ratio - operating <sup>(1)</sup> Net interest margin (fully taxable	28	3.30		24.00		23.81		24.39		21.95				26.21		22.50	
equivalent) <sup>(4)</sup>	3	3.90		3.80		3.63		3.54		3.47				3.85		3.46	
Efficiency ratio - GAAP	57	7.94		57.83		63.03		59.27		57.89				57.89		58.58	
Efficiency ratio - operating (1)	55	5.77		55.75		56.92		56.18		56.21				55.76		56.77	
Average equity to average assets		1.21		11.03		11.21		10.86		10.49				11.13		10.36	
Average tangible equity to average assets <sup>(3)</sup> Average tangible common equity to average	8	3.83		8.82		9.52		9.45		9.23				8.82		9.09	
assets (3)	8	3.83		8.82		9.52		9.45		9.23				8.82		9.09	
Tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets (3)(5)	11	1.40		11.19		12.05		12.80		12.44				11.40		12.44	
ASSET QUALITY														-			
Nonperforming loans	\$ 21,	817	\$ :	26,240	\$	23,658	\$	22,921	\$	23,095		(6)	\$	21,817	\$	23,095	(6)
Foreclosed properties		597	~ ·	2,714	Ψ	3,234	Ψ	2,736	Ψ	2,739		(5)	*	2,597	Ψ	2,739	(5)
Total nonperforming assets (NPAs)		414	_	28,954	_	26,892	_	25,657		25,834		(5)	_	24,414		25,834	(5)
Allowance for loan losses		071		61,085		58,914		58,605		59,500		3		61,071		59,500	3
Net charge-offs		359		1,501		1,061		1,635		1,623	(1	16)		2,860		3,302	(13)
Allowance for loan losses to loans	-	).74%		0.75%		0.76%		0.81%		0.85%	(-	,		0.74%		0.85%	(-5)
Net charge-offs to average loans <sup>(4)</sup>		0.07		0.08		0.06		0.09		0.09				0.07		0.10	
NPAs to loans and foreclosed properties		0.30		0.35		0.35		0.36		0.37				0.30		0.37	
NPAs to total assets		0.20		0.24		0.23		0.23		0.24				0.20		0.24	
AVERAGE BALANCES (\$ in millions)																	
Loans			\$	7,993	\$	7,560	\$	7,149	\$	6,980		L7	\$	8,086	\$	6,942	16
Investment securities		802		2,870		2,991		2,800		2,775		1		2,836		2,798	1
Earning assets		193		11,076		10,735		10,133		9,899		13		11,135		9,885	13
Total assets		213		12,111		11,687		10,980		10,704		14		12,163		10,691	14
Deposits	9,	978		9,759		9,624		8,913		8,659	1	L5		9,869		8,626	14

Shareholders' equity	1,370	1,336	1,310	1,193	1,123	22	1,353	1,108	22
Common shares - basic (thousands)	79,753	79,205	76,768	73,151	71,810	11	79,477	71,798	11
Common shares - diluted (thousands)	79,755	79,215	76,768	73,162	71,820	11	79,487	71,809	11
AT PERIOD END (\$ in millions)									
Loans	\$ 8,220	\$ 8,184	\$ 7,736	\$ 7,203	\$ 7,041	17	\$ 8,220	\$ 7,041	17
Investment securities	2,834	2,731	2,937	2,847	2,787	2	2,834	2,787	2
Total assets	12,386	12,264	11,915	11,129	10,837	14	12,386	10,837	14
Deposits	9,966	9,993	9,808	9,127	8,736	14	9,966	8,736	14
Shareholders' equity	1,379	1,357	1,303	1,221	1,133	22	1,379	1,133	22
Common shares outstanding (thousands)	79,138	79,123	77,580	73,403	70,981	11	79,138	70,981	11

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> Excludes merger-related and other charges which includes amortization of certain executive change of control benefits, the fourth quarter 2017 impact of remeasurement of United's deferred tax assets following the passage of tax reform legislation and a first quarter 2017 release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in OCI.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net income less preferred stock dividends, divided by average realized common equity, which excludes accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

<sup>(3)</sup> Excludes effect of acquisition related intangibles and associated amortization.

<sup>(4)</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(5)</sup> Second quarter 2018 ratio is preliminary.

Financial Highlights Selected Financial Information

	2018							2017			For the Six Months Ended				
(in thousands, except per share data)	Second First Quarter Quarter			First Duarter	Fourth Third Quarter Quarter				Second Quarter			June 2018	30,	2017	
Expense reconciliation						<u> </u>				<u> </u>			_		
Expenses (GAAP)	\$	76,850	\$	73,475	\$	75,882	\$	65,674	\$	63,229	\$	150,325	\$	126,055	
Merger-related and other charges		(2,873)		(2,646)		(7,358)		(3,420)		(1,830)		(5,519)		(3,884	
Expenses - operating	\$	73,977	\$	70,829	\$	68,524	\$	62,254	\$	61,399	\$	144,806	\$	122,171	
Net income reconciliation										_					
Net income (GAAP)	\$	39,634	\$	37,658	\$	(11,916)	\$	27,946	\$	28,267	\$	77,292	\$	51,791	
Merger-related and other charges		2,873		2,646		7,358		3,420		1,830		5,519		3,884	
Income tax benefit of merger-related and other charges		(121)		(628)		(1,165)		(1,147)		(675)		(749)		(1,433	
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of		(1=1)		(020)		(1,100)		(1,1 17)		(0,0)		(, .5)		(1, .55	
deferred tax asset		-		-		38,199		-		-		-		-	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in															
OCI		-		-		<u>-</u>		-		_				3,400	
Net income - operating	\$	42,386	\$	39,676	\$	32,476	\$	30,219	\$	29,422	\$	82,062	\$	57,642	
Diluted income per common share		<u> </u>				<u> </u>									
reconciliation	\$	0.49	\$	0.47	\$	(0.16)	\$	0.38	\$	0.39	\$	0.97	\$	0.72	
Diluted income per common share (GAAP)  Merger-related and other charges	Ф	0.49	Ф	0.47	Ф	(0.16) 0.08	Ф	0.36	Ф	0.39	Ф	0.97	Ф	0.72	
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of		0.01		0.05		0.00		0.05		0.02		0.00		0.05	
deferred tax asset		-		-		0.50		-		-		-		-	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in															
OCI		_		_		_		-		-		-		0.05	
Diluted income per common share - operating	\$	0.53	\$	0.50	\$	0.42	\$	0.41	\$	0.41	\$	1.03	\$	0.80	
Book value per common share reconciliation															
Book value per common share (GAAP)	\$	17.29	\$	17.02	\$	16.67	\$	16.50	\$	15.83	\$	17.29	\$	15.83	
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		(4.04)	_	(4.06)	_	(3.02)	_	(2.39)	_	(2.09)	_	(4.04)		(2.09	
Tangible book value per common share	\$	13.25	\$	12.96	\$	13.65	\$	14.11	\$	13.74	\$	13.25	\$	13.74	
Return on tangible common equity reconciliation															
Return on common equity (GAAP)		11.20%		11.11%		(3.57)%		9.22%		9.98%		11.15%		9.27	
Merger-related and other charges		0.77		0.60		1.86		0.75		0.41		0.69		0.44	
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of															
deferred tax asset		-		-		11.44		-		-		-		-	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in															
OCI		-		-		<u>-</u>		-		_				0.61	
Return on common equity - operating		11.97		11.71		9.73		9.97		10.39		11.84		10.32	
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		3.82		3.55		2.20		1.96		1.80		3.69		1.83	
Return on tangible common equity - operating		15.79%	_	15.26%	_	11.93%	_	11.93%	_	12.19%	_	15.53%	_	12.15	
Return on assets reconciliation		1 200/		1.200/		(0.40)0/		1.010/		1.000/		1 200/		0.00	
Return on assets (GAAP) Merger-related and other charges		1.30% 0.09		1.26% 0.07		(0.40)% 0.20		1.01% 0.08		1.06% 0.04		1.28% 0.08		0.989	
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of		0.03		0.07		0.20		0.00		0.04		0.00		0.03	
deferred tax asset		-		-		1.30		-		-		-		-	
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in															
OCI		-		-		-		-		-		-		0.06	
Return on assets - operating		1.39%		1.33%		1.10%		1.09%		1.10%		1.36%		1.09	
Dividend payout ratio reconciliation															
Dividend payout ratio (GAAP)		30.61%		25.53%		(62.50)%		26.32%		23.08%		27.84%		25.00	
Merger-related and other charges		(2.31)		(1.53)		12.04		(1.93)		(1.13)		(1.63)		(1.00	
Impact of tax reform on remeasurement of deferred tax asset						74.27									
Release of disproportionate tax effects lodged in		-		-		/4.2/		-		-		-		-	
OCI		_		_		_		_		_		_		(1.50	
Dividend payout ratio - operating		28.30%		24.00%	_	23.81%		24.39%		21.95%		26.21%	_	22.50	
Efficiency ratio reconciliation	_	20.00	_	2.100	_	20.01	_	21.00	_	21.55	_		_		
Efficiency ratio (GAAP)		57.94%		57.83%		63.03%		59.27%		57.89%		57.89%		58.58	
Merger-related and other charges		(2.17)		(2.08)		(6.11)		(3.09)		(1.68)		(2.13)		(1.81	
Efficiency ratio - operating		55.77%		55.75%		56.92%		56.18%		56.21%		55.76%		56.77	
Average equity to assets reconciliation	-				_										
Equity to assets (GAAP)		11.21%		11.03%		11.21%		10.86%		10.49%		11.13%		10.36	
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles	_	(2.38)		(2.21)		(1.69)		(1.41)		(1.26)	_	(2.31)		(1.27	
Tangible equity to assets		8.83		8.82		9.52		9.45		9.23		8.82		9.09	
Effect of preferred equity		-		-		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		-		-			
Tangible common equity to assets		8.83%		8.82%		9.52%		9.45%		9.23%		8.82%		9.09	
Tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets	,														
reconciliation <sup>(1)</sup> Tier 1 capital ratio (Regulatory)		11.97%		11.61%		12.24%		12.27%		11.91%		11.97%		11.91	

Effect of other comprehensive income	(0.57)	(0.50)	(0.29)	(0.13)	(0.15)	(0.57)	(0.15)
Effect of deferred tax limitation	0.34	0.42	0.51	0.94	0.95	0.34	0.95
Effect of trust preferred	(0.34)	(0.34)	(0.36)	(0.24)	(0.25)	(0.34)	(0.25)
Basel III intangibles transition adjustment	=.	=.	(0.05)	(0.04)	(0.02)	=	(0.02)
Tangible common equity to risk-weighted assets	11.40%	11.19 <sup>%</sup>	12.05%	12.80%	12.44%	11.40%	12.44%

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Second quarter 2018 ratios are preliminary.

Financial Highlights Loan Portfolio Composition at Period-End

		20	18			2017					Linked	Year over	
	S	econd		First	F	ourth		Third	9	Second	Quarter	Year	
(in millions)	Q	uarter	Q	uarter	Q	Quarter		Quarter	Quarter		Change	Change	
LOANS BY CATEGORY									'				
Owner occupied commercial RE	\$	1,682	\$	1,898	\$	1,924	\$	1,792	\$	1,723	\$ (216)	\$ (41)	
Income producing commercial RE		1,821		1,677		1,595		1,413		1,342	144	479	
Commercial & industrial		1,193		1,142		1,131		1,084		1,088	51	105	
Commercial construction		735		691		712		583		587	44	148	
Equipment financing		465		423		-		-		-	42	465	
Total commercial		5,896		5,831		5,362		4,872		4,740	65	1,156	
Residential mortgage		1,021		992		974		933		881	29	140	
Home equity lines of credit		708		712		731		689		665	(4)	43	
Residential construction		195		190		183		190		193	5	2	
Consumer		400		459		486		519		562	(59)	(162)	
Total loans	\$	8,220	\$	8,184	\$	7,736	\$	7,203	\$	7,041	36	1,179	
LOANS BY MARKET													
North Georgia	\$	1,001	\$	1,004	\$	1,019	\$	1,047	\$	1,065	(3)	(64)	
Atlanta MSA		1,533		1,513		1,510		1,477		1,445	20	88	
North Carolina		1,067		1,037		1,049		542		541	30	526	
Coastal Georgia		623		635		630		634		623	(12)	-	
Gainesville MSA		230		231		248		242		246	(1)	(16)	
East Tennessee		474		473		475		471		486	1	(12)	
South Carolina		1,571		1,537		1,486		1,470		1,260	34	311	
Commercial Banking Solutions		1,444		1,438		961		920		926	6	518	
Indirect auto		277		316		358		400		449	(39)	(172)	
Total loans	\$	8,220	\$	8,184	\$	7,736	\$	7,203	\$	7,041	36	1,179	

	Second Quarter 2018						First	Quai	rter 2018		Fourth Quarter 2017						
	Nonper	forming	For	eclosed	To	tal	Noı	nperforming	For	reclosed	Total	No	nperforming	For	eclosed	,	Total
(in thousands)	Loa	ans	Pro	perties	NP	PAs		Loans	Pro	perties	NPAs		Loans	Pro	perties	]	NPAs
NONPERFORMING ASSETS I	BY CATEO	GORY				,											
Owner occupied CRE	\$	5,772	\$	812	\$ 6	5,584	\$	6,757	\$	1,121	\$ 7,878	\$	4,923	\$	1,955	\$	6,878
Income producing CRE		991		455	1	1,446		3,942		368	4,310		3,208		244		3,452
Commercial & industrial		2,180		-	2	2,180		1,917		-	1,917		2,097		-		2,097
Commercial construction		613		576	1	1,189		574		658	1,232		758		884		1,642
Equipment financing		1,075		-	1	1,075		428		-	428		-		-		-
Total commercial		10,631		1,843	12	2,474		13,618		2,147	15,765		10,986		3,083		14,069
Residential mortgage		7,918		184	8	3,102		8,724		232	8,956		8,776		136		8,912
Home equity lines of credit		1,812		550	2	2,362		2,149		335	2,484		2,024		15		2,039
Residential construction		637		20		657		378		-	378		192		-		192
Consumer		819		-		819		1,371		-	1,371		1,680		-		1,680
Total NPAs	\$	21,817	\$	2,597	\$ 24	4,414	\$	26,240	\$	2,714	\$ 28,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$	26,892
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NONPERFORMING ASSETS I	BY MARK	ET															
North Georgia	\$	7,583	\$	640	\$ 8	3,223	\$	8,519	\$	85	\$ 8,604	\$	7,310	\$	94	\$	7,404
Atlanta MSA	•	1,928	-	132		2,060	-	1,138	-	132	1,270	-	1,395	-	279	-	1,674
North Carolina		3,029		750		3,779		5,006		1,271	6,277		4,543		1,213		5,756
Coastal Georgia		943		-		943		1,887		-	1,887		2,044		20		2,064
Gainesville MSA		186		-		186		574		163	737		739		-		739
East Tennessee		1,473		143	1	1,616		1,511		10	1,521		1,462		-		1,462
South Carolina		3,093		362	3	3,455		3,443		483	3,926		3,433		1,059		4,492
Commercial Banking Solutions		2,831		570	3	3,401		2,937		570	3,507		1,095		569		1,664
Indirect auto		751		-		751		1,225		-	1,225		1,637		-		1,637
Total NPAs	\$	21,817	\$	2,597	\$ 24	4,414	\$	26,240	\$	2,714	\$ 28,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$	26,892
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NONPERFORMING ASSETS A	ACTIVITY	7															
Beginning Balance	\$	26,240	\$	2,714	\$ 28	3,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$ 26,892	\$	22,921	\$	2,736	\$	25,657
Acquisitions	•	,	-			-	-	428	-	-	428	-	,	-	659	-	659
Loans placed on non-accrual		3.612		-	3	3.612		7,463		-	7,463		9,375		-		9.375
Payments received		(5,314)		-	(5	5,314)		(3,534)		_	(3,534)		(5,495)		-		(5,495)
Loan charge-offs		(2,065)		-	,	2,065)		(1,150)		-	(1,150)		(1,747)		-		(1,747)
Foreclosures		(656)		984		328		(625)		625	-		(1,396)		2,421		1,025
Property sales				(1,029)	(1	1,029)		-		(957)	(957)				(2,458)		(2,458)
Write downs		-		(106)	,	(106)		-		(72)	(72)		-		(117)		(117)
Net gains (losses) on sales		-		34		34		-		(116)	(116)		-		(7)		(7)
Ending Balance	\$	21,817	\$	2,597	\$ 24	4,414	\$	26,240	\$	2,714	\$ 28,954	\$	23,658	\$	3,234	\$	26,892

		Second Qua	ırter 2018		First Quar	ter 2018	Fourth Quarter 2017				
			Net Charge- Offs to			Net Charge- Offs to			Net Charge- Offs to		
		Net	Average		Net	Average		Net	Average		
(in thousands)	Ch	arge-Offs	Loans <sup>(1)</sup>	(	Charge-Offs	Loans <sup>(1)</sup>	C	Charge-Offs	Loans <sup>(1)</sup>		
NET CHARGE-OFFS BY CAT	TEGO	RY									
Owner occupied CRE	\$	(578)	(.13)%	\$	(43)	(.01)%	\$	(357)	(.08)%		
Income producing CRE		1,421	.33		422	.10		595	.16		
Commercial & industrial		16	.01		(3)	-		(242)	(.09)		
Commercial construction		(107)	(.06)		266	.15		148	.09		
Equipment financing		(49)	(.04)		40	.08		-	-		
Total commercial		703	.05		682	.05		144	.01		
Residential mortgage		11	-		(52)	(.02)		290	.12		
Home equity lines of credit		21	.01		89	.05		137	.08		
Residential construction		(58)	(.12)		(64)	(.14)		(23)	(.05)		
Consumer		682	.64		846	.72		513	.40		
Total	\$	1,359	.07	\$	1,501	.08	\$	1,061	.06		
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NET CHARGE-OFFS BY MA	RKE	Г									
North Georgia	\$	246	.10%	\$	772	.31%	\$	64	.02%		
Atlanta MSA		103	.03		(109)	(.03)		26	.01		
North Carolina		1,268	.48		144	.06		127	.06		
Coastal Georgia		19	.01		137	.09		174	.11		
Gainesville MSA		(2)	-		(18)	(.03)		154	.25		
East Tennessee		76	.06		31	.03		61	.05		
South Carolina		(1,057)	(.27)		12	-		95	.03		
Commercial Banking Solutions		381	.11		176	.06		75	.03		
Indirect auto		325	.44		356	.41		285	.30		
Total	\$	1,359	.07	\$	1,501	.08	\$	1,061	.06		

		Three Mon	nuns 1 e 30,	Enaea	Six Months Ended June 30,					
(in thousands, except per share data)		2018	e su,	2017	-	2018	e 50,	2017		
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Interest revenue:										
Loans, including fees	\$	103,492	\$	74,825	\$	199,961	\$	147,55		
Investment securities, including tax exempt of \$1,025, \$357, \$1,997,	and									
\$636		18,254		17,778		36,549		35,49		
Deposits in banks and short-term investments		469		563		995		1,08		
Total interest revenue		122,215		93,166		237,505		184,124		
Interest expense:										
Deposits:										
NOW		1,303		635		2,416		1,232		
Money market		2,583		1,559		4,758		2,98		
Savings		35		28		84		5		
Time		4,198		1,379		7,154		2,38		
Total deposit interest expense		8,119		3,601		14,412		6,659		
Short-term borrowings		198		101		498		14:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		1,636		1,464		3,760		2,89		
Long-term debt		3,786		2,852		7,074		5,728		
Total interest expense		13,739		8,018		25,744		15,422		
Net interest revenue		108,476		85,148		211,761		168,702		
Provision for credit losses		1,800		800		5,600		1,600		
Net interest revenue after provision for credit losses		106,676		84,348		206,161		167,10		
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Noninterest income:										
Service charges and fees		8,794		10,701		17,719		21,30		
Mortgage loan and other related fees		5,307		4,811		10,666		9,23		
Brokerage fees		1,201		1,146		2,073		2,550		
Gains from sales of SBA/USDA loans		2,401		2,626		4,179		4,58		
Securities gains (losses), net		(364)		4		(1,304)				
Other		6,001		4,397		12,403		8,070		
Total noninterest income		23,340		23,685		45,736		45,759		
Total revenue		130,016		108,033		251,897		212,86		
Noninterest expenses:										
Salaries and employee benefits		45,363		37,338		88,238		74,029		
Communications and equipment		4,849		4,978		9,481		9,89		
Occupancy		5,547		4,908		11,160		9,85		
Advertising and public relations		1,384		1,260		2,899		2,32		
Postage, printing and supplies		1,685		1,346		3,322		2,710		
Professional fees		3,464		2,371		7,508		5,41		
FDIC assessments and other regulatory charges		1,973		1,348		4,449		2,63		
Amortization of intangibles		1,847		900		3,745		1,873		
Merger-related and other charges		2,280		1,830		4,334		3,88		
Other		8,458		6,950		15,189		13,433		
Total noninterest expenses		76,850		63,229		150,325		126,05		
Net income before income taxes		53,166	_	44,804		101,572		86,80		
Income tax expense		13,532		16,537		24,280		35,01		
Net income	\$	39,634	\$	28,267	\$	77,292	\$	51,79		
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Net income available to common shareholders	\$	39,359	\$	28,267	\$	76,740	\$	51,79		
Earnings per common share:										
Basic	\$	0.49	\$	0.39	\$	0.97	\$	0.72		
Diluted	-	0.49		0.39		0.97		0.7		
Weighted average common shares outstanding:										
Basic		79,745		71,810		79,477		71,798		
Diluted		79,755		71,820		79,487		71,809		

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets** (Unaudited)

(in thousands, except share and per share data)	June 30, 2018	De	cember 31, 2017
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 125,013	\$	129,108
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	191,355		185,167
Cash and cash equivalents	316,368		314,275
Securities available for sale	2,536,294		2,615,850
Securities held to maturity (fair value \$291,463 and \$321,276)	297,569		321,094
Loans held for sale (includes \$34,813 and \$26,252 at fair value)	34,813		32,734
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	8,220,271		7,735,572
Less allowance for loan and lease losses	(61,071)		(58,914)
Loans, net	8,159,200		7,676,658
Premises and equipment, net	202,098		208,852
Bank owned life insurance	190,649		188,970
Accrued interest receivable	33,114		32,459
Net deferred tax asset	77,274		88,049
Derivative financial instruments	29,896		22,721
Goodwill and other intangible assets	327,174		244,397
Other assets	181,091		169,401
Total assets	\$ 12,385,540	\$	11,915,460
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Deposits:	ф 2.24F.701	ď	2 007 707
Demand NOW	\$ 3,245,701	\$	3,087,797
	2,031,396		2,131,939
Money market	2,036,588		2,016,748
Savings Time	683,689		651,742 1,548,460
Brokered	1,524,635		
	444,079		371,011
Total deposits	9,966,088		9,807,697
Short-term borrowings	9,325		50,000
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	560,000		504,651
Long-term debt	308,434		120,545
Derivative financial instruments	37,261		25,376
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	125,323		103,857
Total liabilities	11,006,431		10,612,126
Shareholders' equity:			
Common stock, \$1 par value; 150,000,000 shares authorized;			
79,137,810 and 77,579,561 shares issued and outstanding	79,138		77,580
Common stock issuable; 616,549 and 607,869 shares	9,509		9,083
Capital surplus	1,497,517		1,451,814
Accumulated deficit	(154,290)		(209,902)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(52,765)		(25,241)
Total shareholders' equity	1,379,109		1,303,334
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 12,385,540	\$	11,915,460

Average Consolidated Balance Sheets and Net Interest Analysis

For the Three Months Ended June 30,

				2018						2017	
		Average			Av	g.		Average			Avg.
(dollars in thousands, fully taxable equivalent (FTE))		Balance		Interest	Ra	te		Balance		Interest	Rate
Assets:											
Interest-earning assets:											
Loans, net of unearned income (FTE) (1)(2)	\$	8,177,343	\$	103,395		5.07%	\$	6,979,980	\$	74,811	4.309
Taxable securities <sup>(3)</sup>		2,651,816		17,229		2.60		2,719,390		17,421	2.56
Tax-exempt securities (FTE) (1)(3)		150,503		1,380		3.67		55,992		584	4.17
Federal funds sold and other interest-earning assets		212,849		674		1.27		143,143		743	2.08
Total interest-earning assets (FTE)		11,192,511		122,678		4.39		9,898,505		93,559	3.79
Non-interest-earning assets:	'		'								
Allowance for loan losses		(62,275)						(61,163)			
Cash and due from banks		133,060						104,812			
Premises and equipment		218,517						192,906			
Other assets <sup>(3)</sup>		731,514						569,435			
Total assets	\$	12,213,327					\$	10,704,495			
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Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:											
Interest-bearing liabilities:											
Interest-bearing deposits:											
NOW	\$	2,071,289		1,303		0.25	\$	1,901,890		635	0.13
Money market		2,214,077		2,583		0.47		2,064,143		1,559	0.30
Savings		678,988		35		0.02		575,960		28	0.02
Time		1,524,124		2,696		0.71		1,274,009		1,136	0.36
Brokered time deposits		300,389		1,502		2.01		111,983		243	0.87
Total interest-bearing deposits		6,788,867		8,119		0.48		5,927,985		3,601	0.24
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Federal funds purchased and other borrowings		45,241		198		1.76		37,317		101	1.09
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		335,521		1,636		1.96		594,815		1,464	0.99
Long-term debt		316,812		3,786		4.79		175,281		2,852	6.53
Total borrowed funds	_	697,574	_	5,620		3.23	_	807,413		4,417	2.19
Total interest bearing liabilities		7,486,441		12.720		0.74		6,735,398		0.010	0.48
Total interest-bearing liabilities  Non-interest-bearing liabilities:		7,400,441	_	13,739		0.74		0,733,390	_	8,018	0.40
Non-interest-bearing deposits		3,188,847						2,731,217			
Other liabilities		168,417						114,873			
Total liabilities	_	10,843,705					_	9,581,488			
Shareholders' equity		1,369,622						1,123,007			
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>¢</u>						<u>¢</u>	10,704,495			
Total nubinites and shareholders equity	Ф	12,213,327					Φ	10,704,495			
Net interest revenue (FTE)			\$	108,939					\$	85,541	
Net interest-rate spread (FTE)				,		3.65%			÷		3.319
				=						=	3.31
Net interest margin (FTE) <sup>(4)</sup>						3.90%					3.47

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest revenue on tax-exempt securities and loans has been increased to reflect comparable interest on taxable securities and loans. The rate used was 26% in 2018 and 39% in 2017, reflecting the statutory federal income tax rate and the federal tax adjusted state income tax rate.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in the average balance of loans outstanding are loans where the accrual of interest has been discontinued and loans that are held for sale.

<sup>(3)</sup> Securities available for sale are shown at amortized cost. Pretax unrealized losses of \$42.9 million in 2018 and pretax unrealized gains of \$6.58 million in 2017 are included in other assets for purposes of this presentation.

<sup>(4)</sup> Net interest margin is taxable equivalent net-interest revenue divided by average interest-earning assets.

## **Average Consolidated Balance Sheets and Net Interest Analysis**

For the Six Months Ended June 30,

			2018					2017	
	Average			Avg.		Average			Avg.
(dollars in thousands, fully taxable equivalent (FTE))	Balance		Interest	Rate	]	Balance		Interest	Rate
Assets:									_
Interest-earning assets:									
Loans, net of unearned income (FTE) (1)(2)	\$ 8,085,84	49 \$	199,784	4.98%	\$	6,942,130	\$	147,552	4.299
Taxable securities <sup>(3)</sup>	2,687,20	00	34,552	2.57		2,749,339		34,854	2.54
Tax-exempt securities (FTE) (1)(3)	148,52	28	2,689	3.62		49,125		1,041	4.24
Federal funds sold and other interest-earning assets	212,95		1,372	1.29		144,577		1,407	1.95
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Total interest-earning assets (FTE)	11,134,52	28	238,397	4.31		9,885,171		184,854	3.76
Non-interest-earning assets:									
Allowance for loan losses	(60,7	18)				(61,414)			
Cash and due from banks	146,69					102,048			
Premises and equipment	217,62	25				191,509			
Other assets <sup>(3)</sup>	724,48	38				573,281			
Total assets	\$ 12,162,62				\$ :	10,690,595			
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:									
Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Interest-bearing deposits:									
NOW	\$ 2,077,46	51	2,416	0.23	\$	1,930,624		1,232	0.13
Money market	2,222,30	04	4,758	0.43		2,064,792		2,985	0.29
Savings	667,43	31	84	0.03		568,339		55	0.02
Time	1,529,63		4,937	0.65		1,269,005		1,951	0.31
Brokered time deposits	229,76		2,217	1.95		105,199		436	0.84
Total interest-bearing deposits	6,726,60	01	14,412	0.43		5,937,959		6,659	0.23
Federal funds purchased and other borrowings	61,89		498	1.62		28,225		141	1.01
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	423,13		3,760	1.79		637,728		2,894	0.92
Long-term debt	295,76		7,074	4.82		175,212		5,728	6.59
Total borrowed funds	780,79	94	11,332	2.93		841,165		8,763	2.10
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Total interest-bearing liabilities	7,507,39	95 	25,744	0.69		6,779,124	_	15,422	0.46
Non-interest-bearing liabilities:	2 4 42 24	2.4				0.000.000			
Non-interest-bearing deposits	3,142,38					2,687,665			
Other liabilities	159,73	_				115,808			
Total liabilities	10,809,53					9,582,597			
Shareholders' equity	1,353,10				_	1,107,998			
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 12,162,62	20			\$ 1	10,690,595			
Net interest revenue (FTE)		\$	212,653				\$	169,432	
Net interest-rate spread (FTE)		Ť	,,,,,,	3.62%			_	,	3.30
								=	2.30
Net interest margin (FTE) <sup>(4)</sup>				3.85%					3.46

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest revenue on tax-exempt securities and loans has been increased to reflect comparable interest on taxable securities and loans. The rate used was 26% in 2018 and 39% in 2017, reflecting the statutory federal income tax rate and the federal tax adjusted state income tax rate.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in the average balance of loans outstanding are loans where the accrual of interest has been discontinued and loans that are held for sale.

<sup>(3)</sup> Securities available for sale are shown at amortized cost. Pretax unrealized losses of \$35.6 million in 2018 and pretax unrealized gains of \$638 thousand in 2017 are included in other assets for purposes of this presentation.

<sup>(4)</sup> Net interest margin is taxable equivalent net-interest revenue divided by average interest-earning assets.

#### About United Community Banks, Inc.

United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: UCBI) is a bank holding company based in Blairsville, Georgia with \$12.4 billion in assets. The company's banking subsidiary, United Community Bank, is one of the southeast region's largest full-service banks, operating 150 offices in Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The bank specializes in personalized community banking services for individuals, small businesses and corporations. Services include a full range of consumer and commercial banking products including mortgage, advisory, and treasury management. Respected national research firms consistently recognize United Community Bank for outstanding customer service. For the last five years, J.D. Power has ranked United Community Bank first in customer satisfaction in the Southeast. In 2018, for the fifth consecutive year, *Forbes* magazine included United on its list of the 100 Best Banks in America. Additional information about the company and the bank's full range of products and services can be found at www.ucbi.com.

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# 2018 INVESTOR PRESENTATION

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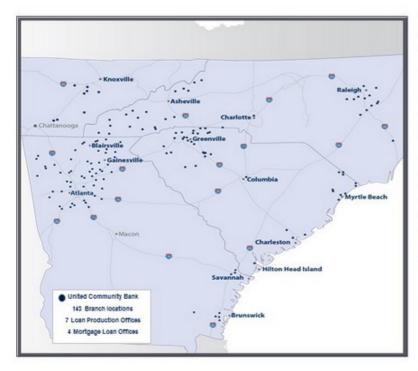
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## Who We Are Snapshot of United Community Banks, Inc.



2Q18 Ove	erview
Ticker	UCBI (NASDAQ)
Market Cap	\$2.4Bn
P/EPS (2019E)	12.6x
P/TBV	233%
Assets	\$12.4Bn
Loans	\$8.2Bn
Deposits	\$10.0Bn
CET1*	11.6%
NPAs / Assets	0.20%
ROA – GAAP	1.30%
ROA - Operating (1)	1.39%
ROCE - GAAP	11.20%
ROTCE - Operating (1)	15.79%
*2Q18 Capital Ratios are prelimina	гу

## Premier Southeast Regional Bank

- Established in 1950 and headquartered in Blairsville, GA with executive offices in Greenville, SC
  - 2,323 employees
- One of the largest regional banks in the U.S. by assets with 143 branch locations, 7 loan production offices and 4 mortgage loan offices in four states: GA, NC, SC
  - ✓ Top 10 market share in GA and SC
- Metro-focused branch network with locations in fast growing areas

Market data as of July 20, 2018
(1) See non-GAAP reconciliation table slides at the end of the exhibits for a reconciliation of operating performance measures to GAAP performance measures



# 2Q18 Highlights

- Operating diluted earnings per share of \$0.53 compared with GAAP diluted earnings per share of \$0.49
- > GAAP EPS up 26% vs. last year
  - Operating EPS rose 29% over the same time frame
- > GAAP ROA of 1.30% in 2Q
  - Operating ROA moved to 1.39%, on path towards 1.40% 2018 target
- Dividend \$0.15 up 67% vs. last year







(2) Excludes effect of acquisition-related intangibles and associated amortization



# Net Interest Revenue / Margin (1)

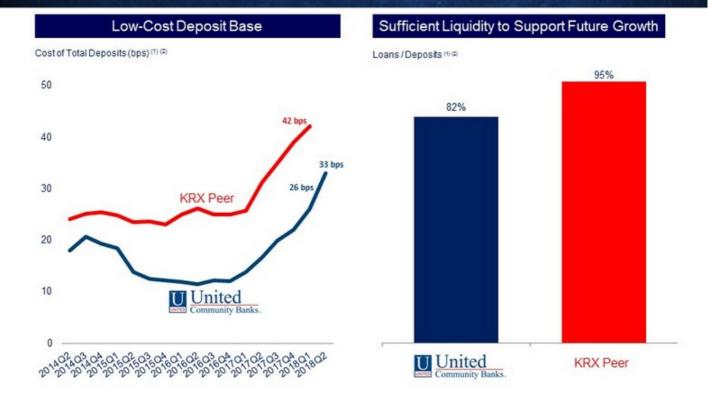


- Net interest revenue of \$108.5 mm increased \$5.2 mm (5.0%) vs. 1Q18 and \$23.3 mm (27.4%) vs. 2Q17
  - Benefit of Navitas acquisition, in addition to rising short-term interest rates
- Net interest margin up 10 bps vs. 1Q18 impacted by
  - Higher loan yield of 18 bps due to higher shortterm interest rates and the full quarter impact of Navitas
  - Accretable yield contributed \$674 thousand or 2 bps to 2Q18 NIM vs. 6 bps in 1Q18
- Net interest margin up 43 bps vs. 2Q17 due to higher short-term rates, stable core deposit base and the impact of acquisitions

(5) Net interest margin is calculated on a fully-taxable equivalent basis



# **Deposits**



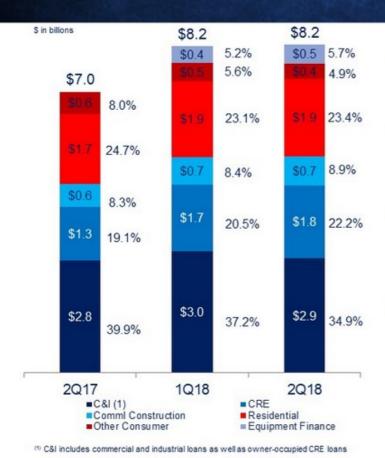
Note – Peer comparison banks comprise the KBW Regional Bank Index (ticker:KRX)

(1) Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence

(2) United results as of 2Q18; KRX results as of 1Q18 (Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence)



## Loans



- Annualized end-of-period loan growth was 2%, or 4% excluding indirect auto runoff of \$39 mm
- > Diversified portfolio, weighted towards C&I
  - Reclassified \$139 mm of senior care loans in 2Q to income producing CRE from owner-occupied CRE
- Well within regulatory guidance on construction and CRE levels
  - The 100%/300% ratios stand at 74% and 202%, respectively
- Other consumer has declined to a 5% contribution due to the planned runoff of the indirect auto portfolio



## Loan Growth Drivers

- Continued expansion in our metro markets, including our new Myrtle Beach and Raleigh markets
- Ongoing evaluation and addition of new Commercial Banking products and verticals
- Successful execution of the Navitas growth strategy
- Continued development of our unique partnership model where the community banks partner with CBS to drive growth
- Growth in the mortgage business via expansion into newly acquired markets and with the addition of on-balance sheet adjustable rate products



## Fee Revenue

in millions



## > Linked quarter, fees up \$0.9 mm due to:

- Record number of locks and applications, yet slightly lower mortgage fees in 2Q vs. 1Q due to a \$0.1 mm write down of MSR vs. \$0.4 mm write up in 1Q
- 2Q record SBA originations of \$59.6 mm, up 125% over 1Q
- SBA loan sales of \$28.5 mm up 29% vs. last quarter, as mix change toward construction loans is limiting near term loan sales
- > SBA closed construction loan pipeline to \$87.1 mm

## > Vs Last Year, fees down \$0.4 mm to \$23.3 mm

- \$1.9 mm lower service charges as \$2.5 mm Durbin impact is partially offset with the increase from acquisitions
- Record \$259 mm of mortgage originations, up 27% year over year
- Record 2Q SBA production of \$59.6 mm, up 88% vs. 2Q17 of \$31.7 mm; SBA revenue down slightly year over year on lower loan sales (\$28.5 mm in 2Q18 vs. \$30 million in 2Q17)
- Other income up \$1.2 mm includes the benefit of Navitas fee income



# Expense Discipline



- Linked quarter, GAAP and operating expenses grew 5% and 4%, respectively
  - > Operating efficiency ratio stable at 55.8%
  - Operating expenses up \$3.2 mm vs. 1Q18, excluding merger-related and other charges
  - > Full quarter of Navitas added \$1.6 mm in 2Q
- Market expansions and acquisitions drove yearover-year GAAP and operating expenses higher by 22% and 20%
  - Operating efficiency ratio improved to 55.8% from 56.2% last year

Efficiency Ratio (1)

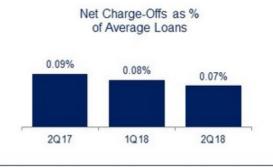
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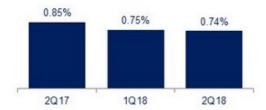


# **Credit Quality**

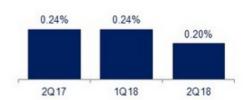




Allowance for Loan Losses



Non-Performing Assets as % of Total Assets





# Capital Ratios

Holding Company	2Q17	1Q18	2Q18
Common Equity Tier I Capital	11.9%	11.3%	11.6%
Tier I Risk-Based Capital	11.9	11.6	12.0
Total Risk-Based Capital	12.7	13.5	13.9
Leverage	9.0	9.1	9.3
Tangible Common Equity to Risk-Weighted Assets	12.4	11.2	11.4
Average Tangible Equity to Average Assets	9.2	8.8	8.8

- ▶ Profitability continues to provide significant capital ratio improvement each quarter
- ► All regulatory capital ratios significantly above "well-capitalized"
- Quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share (up 67% YoY)
- ▶ Q1 sub debt raise improved capital efficiency and increased total risk based capital



Note: 2Q18 ratios are preliminary

# Key Strengths

- Culture and business model that attracts both bankers and potential acquisition partners
- > Positioned well in many of the South's fastest-growing markets
- Superior customer service helps drive great core deposit growth
- Well-developed credit model to drive consistent performance through cycles
- Liquid balance sheet and strong capital offer flexibility in a rising rate environment



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# Who We Are Full-Service Regional Bank with a Strong Culture Rooted in Sound Credit Underwriting & Growth

## **Cultural Pillars**

- > Underwriting conservatism and portfolio diversification
- > Top quartile credit quality performance
- > Prudent capital, liquidity and interest-rate risk management
- Focused on improving return to shareholders with increasing ROTCE and dividend growth

## Profitability

High-Quality

Balance

Sheet

- > Managing a steady margin with minimal accretion income
- > Fee revenue expansion through focused growth initiatives
- Continued operating expense discipline while investing in growth opportunities
- > Executing on M&A cost savings
- > High-quality, low-cost core deposit base

## Growth

- Addition of Commercial Banking Solutions platforms (middle market banking, SBA lending, senior care, income-property lending, asset-based lending, builder finance, renewable energy, equipment finance) and actively pursuing additional lending platforms
- Entered into and continue to target new markets with team liftouts (Charleston, Greenville, Atlanta, Raleigh)
- Continuous emphasis on and enhancement of Mortgage product offerings to drive loan and revenue growth
- Acquisitions that fit our footprint and culture and deliver desired financial returns

## Customer Service Is at Our Foundation





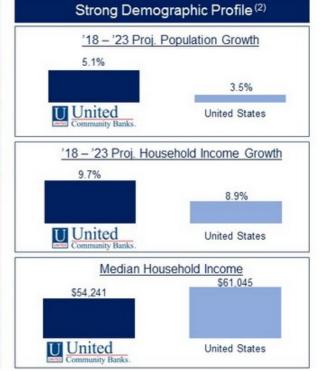
# Who We Are The Bank That Service Built





## Who We Are Focused on High-Growth MSAs in Southeast

100	Fastest Growing outheast MSAs (1)	2018-2023 Proj. Population Growth	2018 Population	2023 Proj. Median Household Income
1.	Myrtle Beach, SC	9.96%	470,010	\$55,177
2.	Cape Coral, FL	8.66%	740,553	\$59,220
3.	Charleston, SC	8.46%	785,518	\$69,670
4.	Orlando, FL	8.17%	2,518,915	\$62,806
5.	Raleigh, NC	8.08%	1,335,067	\$76,237
6.	Naples, FL	7.95%	374,242	\$75,389
7.	North Port, FL	7.54%	808,091	\$66,409
8.	Lakeland, FL	7.22%	683,670	\$51,907
9.	Charlotte, NC	7.22%	2,537,416	\$65,758
10.	Jacksonville, FL	6.89%	1,519,940	\$65,428
16.	Savannah, GA	6.60%	392,546	\$61,718
18.	Atlanta, GA	6.48%	5,919,767	\$71,156
21.	Greenville, SC	6.12%	901,549	\$58,643

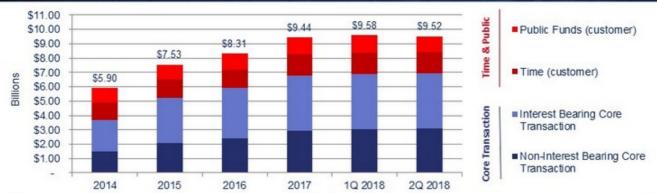


UCBI MSA Presence

(1) Includes MSAs with a population of greater than 300,000 (2) Weighted by state deposits



# Deposit Mix



Core Tr			ego	n D€ ry & F nillions	•		Gr	owt	n	
	2	015	2	016	2	017	10	2018	20	2018
Demand Deposit	5	618	3	334	S	487	S		S	40
NOW		441		5	-	107		4		(21)
MMDA		325		246		158		(7)		10
Savings		177		79		101		25		7
Growth by Category	5	1,561	\$	664	S	851	S	139	\$	36
Atlanta MSA	\$	223	s	168	s	91	s	38	s	(19)
North Georgia		158		133		80		58		15
North Carolina (1)		63		62		412		11		30
Coastal Georgia		24		16		28		40		(1)
East Tennessee (2)		234		(16)		(7)		(2)		3
Gainesville MSA		34		48		20		5		3
South Carolina (2)		825		253		227		(11)		4
Growth by Region	S	1,561	S	664	S	851	S	139	S	38

Mincludes \$304 million from the acquisition of Four Oaks NB on November 1, 2 □Includes \$247 million from the acquisition of FNB on May 1, 2015 □Includes \$790 million, \$175 million and \$226 million, respectively, from the acquisitions of Falmetto on September 1, 2015, Tidelands on July 1, 2016 and Horry County State Bank on July 31, 2017

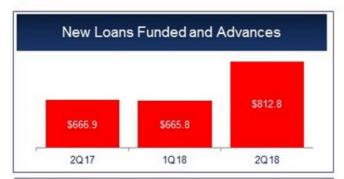
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	Depo by Cat in mil	egory			
	2015	2016	2017	102018	20 2018
Non-Interest Bearing Core					
Demand Deposit	\$ 2,089	\$ 2,423	\$ 2,910	\$ 3,027	\$ 3,067
Interest Bearing Core					
NOW	1,109	1.114	1,221	1,225	1,204
MMDA	1,584	1,830	1,986	1,979	1,989
Savings	469	548	649	675	681
Total Interest Bearing Core	3,162	3,492	3,856	3,878	3,874
Total Core Trans Deposits	5,251	5,915	6,766	6,905	6,941
Time (Customer)	1,251	1,267	1,522	1,487	1,491
Public Funds (Customer)	1.032	1,128	1,148	1,190	1,089
Brokered	339	328	371	411	444
Total Deposits	\$ 7.873	\$ 8.638	\$ 9.808	\$ 9,993	\$ 9,965



# New Loans Funded and Advances<sup>(1)</sup>

\$ in millions



New Loa		ded a Category		vance	S
				Variance-	Incr(Dear)
	2Q18	1Q18	2017	1Q18	2017
Commercial & Industrial	\$ 227.4	\$ 220.7	\$ 161.8	\$ 6.7	\$ 65.6
Owner-Occupied CRE	74.7	67.1	114.0	7.6	(39.3)
Income-Producing CRE	112.3	70.2	41.6	42.1	70.7
Commercial Constr.	186.8	145.6	121.8	41.2	65.0
Total Commercial	601.2	503.6	439.2	97.6	162.0
Residential Mortgage	63.9	38.3	48.3	25.6	15.6
Residential HELOC	66.6	53.6	64.7	13.0	1.9
Residential Construction	63.4	54.4	56.8	9.0	6.6
Consumer	17.7	15.8	57.9	1.9	(40.2)
Total	\$ 812.8	\$ 665.8	\$ 666.9	\$ 147.0	\$ 145.9

New Loa		nded a y Region	nd Ad	ances	
				Variance In	
	2Q:18	1Q18	2017	10 18	2017
Atlanta	\$ 1423	\$ 121.1	\$ 122.5	\$ 21.2	19.8
Coastal Georgia	43.3	39.3	75.7	4.0	(32.4)
North Georgia	65.2	60.2	64.2	5.0	1.0
North Carolina	113.2	35.9	29.9	77.3	83.3
Tennessee	32.7	28.8	40.2	3.9	(7.5)
Gaines ville	15.4	11.0	13.2	4.4	2.2
South Carolina	145.1	131.3	115.0	13.8	30.1
Total Community Banks	557.2	427.5	460.7	129.7	96.5
Assiet-basied Lending	1.0	10.8	17.6	(9.8)	(16.6)
Commercial RE	38.2	33.8	41.1	4.4	(2.9)
Senior Care	32.9	38.1	8.3	(3.2)	24.6
Middle Market	9.4	6.9	35.4	2.5	(26.0)
SBA	38.2	32.7	35.3	3.5	0.9
Renewable Energy	0.4	8.5	-	(8.1)	0.4
Navitas	100.2	65.3		34.9	100.2
Builder Finance	37.3	44.1	28.1	(6.8)	9.2
Total Commercial Banking					
Solutions	255.6	238.3	165.8	17.4	89.8
Indirect Auto			40.4		(40.4)
Total	\$ 8128	\$ 665.8	\$ 666.9	\$ 147.0	\$ 145.9



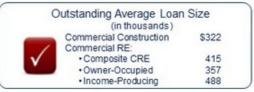
<sup>(5)</sup> Represents new loans funded and net loan advances (net of payments on lines of credit)

# Commercial RE Diversification - 6/30/2018

Commercial (		401.011		
	Com	mitted	Outs	tanding
As s is ted Living/Nursing Home/Rehab Cntr	\$ 266	21.0 %	\$ 105	142 9
Residential Construction in Process: SPEC	144	11.4	88	12.0
Office Buildings	99	7.9	42	5.7
Multi-Residential Properties	97	7.6	32	4.3
Residential Construction in Process: PRESOLD	74	5.8	47	6.4
Hotels Motels	68	5.4	24	3.3
Residential Land Development - Lots Already Developed in Hands of Builders	64	5.1	60	8.2
Retail Building	58	4.6	47	6.4
Vacant (Improved)	50	4.0	44	5.9
Warehouse	50	3.9	35	4.8
Other Properties	49	3.9	42	5.7
Self Storage	46	3.6	27	3.6
Residential Land Development - Subdivisions in Process	43	3.4	30	4.1
Raw Land - Vacant (Unimproved)	39	3.1	33	4.4
Restaurants /Franchis e Fast Food / Franchis e Other	27	21	14	1.9
Residential Raw Land in the Hands of Builders/Developers	19	1.5	17	2.3
Mfg Facility	14	1.1	5	0.7
Negative Pledge	11	0.9	7	0.9
Commercial Land Development	11	0.9	11	1.5
Churches	11	0.9	10	1.3
AllOther	26	1.9	16	2.4
Total Commercial Construction	\$1,266	100 %	\$ 736	100 5

	Committed Average Loan S (in thousands)	Size
1	Commercial Construction     Commercial RE:	\$553
	<ul> <li>Composite CRE</li> </ul>	442
	<ul> <li>Owner-Occupied</li> </ul>	382
	<ul> <li>Income-Producing</li> </ul>	517

		C	mitted		Outstanding					
Office Buildings	s	440	22.7	96	s	398	21.8	96		
Retail Building		359	18.5			345	19.0			
Investor Residential		201	10.4			197	10.8			
Assisted Living/Nursing Home/Rehab Cntr		209	10.8			187	10.3			
Hotels Notels		176	9.1			172	9.5			
Warehouse		169	8.7			163	8.9			
Multi-Residential Properties		158	8.2			149	82			
Other Properties		62	3.2			53	2.9			
Restaurants /Franchise Fast Food / Franchise Other		52	2.7			48	2.5			
Self Storage		29	1.5			27	1.5			
Convenience Stores		27	1.4			26	1.4			
Mg Facility		22	1.1			22	1.2			
Leas ehold Property		10	0.5			10	0.5			
Mobile Home Parks		10	0.5			9	0.5			
Automotive Service		8	0.4			8	0.5			
Daycare Facility		4	0.2			4	0.2			
All Other		2	0.1			5	0.3			





## Strong Credit Culture

- 1. Process Change
- In 2014, centralized and streamlined consumer underwriting and related functions
- Significantly strengthened commercial process for approvals and monitoring
- 5. Concentration Risk: Product
- Construction/CRE ratio = 74%/202%
- C&D > 30% in cycle, now 12 % driven by Four Oaks
- Land in C&D \$272 mm and shrinking, due to Four Oaks conversion
- · Navitas 5.60% of loans
- Granular product concentration limits

- 2. Add Significant Talent
- CEO with deep knowledge and experience in credit
- 2015 Rob Edwards brought in to lead team (BB&T, TD Bank)
- Senior credit risk team now has large bank credit risk experience

BUILT TO OUTPERFORM IN THE NEXT CYCLE

- 3. Concentration Risk: Size
- In house project lending limit of \$18 mm, legal lending limit of \$312 mm
- Relationship limit = \$30 mm
- \$123 mm of SNC's outstanding, \$238 mm committed
- Top 25 loans = \$586 mm, 7.2
   % of total loans
- 4. Concentration Risk: Geography
- Four state franchise with mix of metro and rural markets



# Non-GAAP Reconciliation Tables

\$ in thousands, except per share data				50.000.00		VICTOR CLU		0-2003			
	2Q17		_	3Q17		4Q17		1Q18	_	2Q18	
				(1)		(1)	. 100	(1)		(1)	
Net Income											
Net income - GAAP	\$	28,267	\$	27,946	S	(11,916)	\$	37,658	\$	39,634	
Merger-related and other charges		1,830		3,420		7,358		2,646		2,873	
Tax benefit on merger-related and other charges		(675)		(1, 147)		(1, 165)		(628)		(121)	
Impairment of deferred tax asset due to federal tax rate reduction		-		-		38,199		-		-	
Net income - Operating	\$	29,422	\$	30,219	S	32,476	\$	39,676	\$	42,386	,
Diluted Earnings per share											
Diluted earnings per share - GAAP	\$	0.39	S	0.38	\$	(0.16)	S	0.47	S	0.49	_
Merger-related and other charges		0.02		0.03		0.08		0.03		0.04	
Impairment of deferred tax asset due to federal tax rate reduction		-		-		0.50		-		-	
Diluted earnings per share - Operating	\$	0.41	S	0.41	S	0.42	S	0.50	S	0.53	1
Return on Assets							7.77				
Return on assets - GAAP		1.06	%	1.01	%	(0.40)	%	1.26	%	1.30	%
Merger-related and other charges		0.04		0.08		0.20		0.07		0.09	
Impairment of deferred tax asset due to federal tax rate reduction		-		-		1.30		-		-	
Return on assets - Operating		1.10	%	1.09	%	1.10	%	1.33	%	1.39	%
Book Value per share											
Book Value per share - GAAP	\$	15.83	S	16.50	S	16.67	\$	17.02	\$	17.29	7.
Effect of goodwill and other intangibles		(2.09)		(2.39)		(3.02)		(4.06)		(4.04)	
Tangible book value per share	\$	13.74	S	14.11	S	13.65	S	12.96	S	13.25	6

<sup>(1)</sup> Merger-related and other charges for 2018, 1018, 4017 and 3017 include \$593 thousand, \$592 thousand, \$517 thousand and \$244 thousand, respectively, of intangible amortization resulting from payments made to executives under their change of control agreements. The resulting intangible assets are being amortized over 12 to 24 months.



# Non-GAAP Reconciliation Tables

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		2Q17	_	3Q17		4Q17	_	1Q18	2Q18		
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Return on Tangible Common Equity											
Return on common equity - GAAP		9.98	%	9.22	%	(3.57)	%	11.11	%	11.20	%
Effect of merger-related and other charges		0.41		0.75		1.86		0.60		0.77	
Impairment of deferred tax asset due to federal tax rate reduction		-				11.44		-			
Return on common equity - Operating		10.39		9.97		9.73		11.71		11.97	
Effect of goodwill and intangibles		1.80		1.96		2.20		3.55		3.82	
Return on tangible common equity - Operating		12.19	%	11.93	%	11.93	%	15.26	%	15.79	%
Expenses											
Expenses - GAAP	S	63,229		\$ 65,674	S	75,882	\$	73,475	S	76,850	_
Merger-related and other charges		(1.830)		(3,420)		(7,358)		(2,646)		(2.873)	
Expenses - Operating	\$	61,399		\$ 62,254	S	68,524	\$	70,829	\$	73,977	
Pre-Tax, Pre-Credit Earnings											
Pre-Tax Earnings - GAAP	S	44,804		\$ 43,674	S	42,354	\$	48,406	\$	53,166	
Merger-related and other charges		1,830		3,420		7,358		2,646		2,873	
Provision for credit losses		800		1,000		1,200		3,800		1,800	
Pre-Tax, Pre-Credit Earnings - Operating	\$	47,434	_	\$ 48,094	S	50,912	S	54,852	\$	57,839	
Efficiency Ratio											
Efficiency Ratio - GAAP		57.89	%	59.27	%	63.03	%	57.83	%	57.94	%
Merger-related and other charges		(1.68)		(3.09)		(6.11)		(2.08)		(2.17)	
Efficiency Ratio - Operating	83	56.21	%	56.18	%	56.92	%	55.75	%	55.77	%
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<sup>(1)</sup> Merger-related and other charges for 2Q18, 1Q18, 4Q17 and 3Q17 include \$593 thousand, \$592 thousand, \$517 thousand and \$244 thousand, respectively, of intangible amortization resulting from payments made to executives under their change of control agreements. The resulting intangible assets are being amortized over 12 to 24 months.

