

UNITED COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Garrity Matthew T.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 UNITED COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP [UCFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 370 APPLE BLOSSOM LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/21/2014

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. VP & Chief Credit Officer

BAY VILLAGE, OH 44140

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Shares	01/21/2014		A ⁽¹⁾	7,342 A \$ 0	60,188	D	
Common Shares	01/21/2014		F ⁽²⁾	4,528 D \$ 3.59	55,660	D	
Common Shares					3,297	I	By Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Garrity Matthew T. 370 APPLE BLOSSOM LANE BAY VILLAGE, OH 44140			Sr. VP & Chief Credit Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Jude J. Nohra, POA for Matthew T. Garrity
Date: 01/23/2014

Signature of Reporting Person: _____ Date: _____

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- This award is made pursuant to the 2013 Executive Incentive Plan and represents a grant of restricted shares under the Amended and Restated United Community Financial Corp. 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan. From this award, one-third of the shares vest equally on each of the three anniversary dates following the grant date.
- (1) Restated United Community Financial Corp. 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan. From this award, one-third of the shares vest equally on each of the three anniversary dates following the grant date.
 - (2) Forfeiture of shares represents those surrendered to satisfy the tax liability for the award granted on January 21, 2014, pursuant to an 83(b) election made within 30 days of the award. The price of the disposed of shares is the closing price on January 21, 2014.
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