

## OPINION: Banking

**DIRECTIONS:** This is an activity to engage the participants physically. Place three signs around the room -- Strongly Agree, Undecided, Strongly Disagree. Read a question below and ask participants to move to the answer which best reflects their feelings. Ask for one or two volunteers to discuss why they feel the way they do. Repeat with each question.

1. Banks are a safe place to keep my money.
2. Banks offer a good return on my investment.
3. The higher the return on my investment, the higher the risk of the investment.
4. Banks offer financial products and services that are useful to me.
5. When I need to cash a check, I go to a bank.
6. When I need to send money to family in another country, I go to a bank.
7. When I need a short-term loan, I go to a bank.
8. The people who work at banks understand my problems.
9. A credit union is the same thing as a bank.
10. A Check Cashing outlet is essentially the same thing as a bank.

### **Group Discussion:**

Were you surprised by the class opinions?

Were different family members in different places?

### **Note to Trainer:**

This activity works very well for large groups even up to 100 people! Prepare the classroom by marking one side of the room as strongly agree, the other side as strongly disagree, and the center of the room as undecided by taping up the flip chart pages accordingly.