






# CDFI Service Providers

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) provide loans, investments, and other financial services to underserved populations and communities. The following is a list of approved CDFI service providers that are pre-qualified to provide lending services for Neighborhood Opportunity Fund (NOF) participants in support of financing and completing their projects.

Provider	Website	Phone
Allies for Community Business (A4CB)	<a href="http://a4cb.org">a4cb.org</a>	(312) 924-2180
Chicago Community Loan Fund (CCLF)	<a href="http://cclfchicago.org">cclfchicago.org</a>	(312) 252-0427
Greenwood Archer Capital	<a href="http://greenwoodarchercapital.org">greenwoodarchercapital.org</a>	(312) 929-5380
Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)	<a href="http://lisc.org">lisc.org</a>	(830) 931-7016
Pursuit Community Finance	<a href="http://pursuitlending.com">pursuitlending.com</a>	(315) 868-8837

Learn more about our CDFI Service Providers below!

  <b>Contact:</b> Brad McConnell CEO <a href="mailto:bmcconnell@a4cb.org">bmcconnell@a4cb.org</a> (312) 924-2180	Description	Services Provided
	<b>Allies for Community Business (A4CB)</b> supports small businesses that strengthen their communities. We provide the capital, coaching, and connections entrepreneurs need to grow great businesses that create jobs and wealth in their communities. By primarily serving Black, Hispanic, female, and low-income entrepreneurs throughout the Chicagoland area and beyond, we create opportunity in areas that need it most.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Term loans, lines of credit, and revenue-based financing</b> between \$500 and \$500,000. We don't use credit scores or the value of your assets when reviewing requests for capital; instead we evaluate your recent credit habits and your current cash position (our full credit policy is described at <a href="http://a4cb.org/loans">a4cb.org/loans</a>).</li><li>• <b>Free one-on-one coaching.</b> We will listen first as you describe what you are trying to accomplish with your business, what challenges you are seeking to overcome, and how you think we can help; we will then work together on the steps you should take to help your business thrive.</li></ul>
  <b>Contact:</b> Wendell Harris Executive VP of Lending Operations <a href="mailto:wharris@cclfchicago.org">wharris@cclfchicago.org</a> (312) 252-0427	Description	Services Provided
	The mission of the <b>Chicago Community Loan Fund (CCLF)</b> is to provide flexible, affordable and responsible financing and technical assistance for community stabilization and development efforts and initiatives that benefit low- to moderate-income neighborhoods, families and individuals throughout metropolitan Chicago.  Individual and institutional investors concerned about the social dividend of their investments place funds in CCLF at or below market-rate, creating a pool of loan capital dedicated to improving the lives of people in disinvested communities. CCLF, in turn, re-lends this capital at a rate close to or at prime to finance community organizations' development projects.	Explore CCLF's services at <a href="http://cclfchicago.org">cclfchicago.org</a>
  <b>Contact:</b> Terrence Johnson Executive Director <a href="mailto:tjohnson@greenwoodarchercapital.org">tjohnson@greenwoodarchercapital.org</a> (312) 929-5380	Description	Services Provided
	<b>Greenwood Archer Capital (GAC)</b> is a nonprofit 501(c)3 Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) founded in 2012 to deploy small business loans catalyzing entrepreneurs and nonprofits throughout the metropolitan Chicago area and its adjacent suburbs in Cook, Lake and Will counties.  Since inception, we have been committed to living, working, and serving underserved communities. Many of our programs today were rooted in and grew from the need to address the issues making access to capital particularly challenging in low-to-moderate income communities.	Explore Greenwood Archer's services at <a href="http://greenwoodarchercapital.org">greenwoodarchercapital.org</a>
  <b>Contact:</b> Garrett Riou Senior Program Officer <a href="mailto:griou@lisc.org">griou@lisc.org</a> (830) 931-7016	Description	Services Provided
	<b>Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)</b> works with residents and partners to forge resilient and inclusive communities of opportunity across America—great places to live, work, visit, do business and raise families. Since 1979, LISC has invested \$1.7 billion in Illinois to build or rehab over 37,500 affordable homes and apartments and develop 5.8 million square feet of retail, community, and educational space. As a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) LISC provides loans, equity and grants to non-profit and for-profit partners leading projects and programs that help their communities.	LISC's loan products start at \$100,000 and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construction/Leasehold Improvement Loans</li><li>• Commercial Real Estate Acquisition Loans</li><li>• Working Capital</li><li>• Machinery and Equipment Loans</li><li>• Bridge Financing</li><li>• Permanent long-term financing or refinancing</li><li>• Pre-development</li></ul>
  <b>Contact:</b> Matthew Revere Chicago Loan Officer (315) 868-8837	Description	Services Provided
	<b>Pursuit's</b> mission is to empower businesses in all communities by providing access to affordable loans and resources so that they can reach higher, transform, and grow. Pursuit is a mission-driven, not-for-profit 501(c)3 certified by US Treasury as a Community Development Financial Institution. Pursuit Community Finance offers a unique set of community loan products from \$10,000-\$500,000, alongside a comprehensive suite of Business Advisory Services. Pursuit designed its loan products to be fast and easy, with loan decisions in two business days and funding within one week of approval. Over the past two years, Pursuit funded 975 community loans totaling over \$70MM and served more than 2,600 small businesses with Pursuit's advisory services	Explore Pursuit's services at <a href="http://pursuitlending.com">pursuitlending.com</a>