

Dream Big

Although essential for thriving communities, small businesses and nonprofit organizations experience particular challenges with accessing capital to build their operational capacity or expand. CFE is a nonprofit lender dedicated to closing this financing gap. Entrepreneurs and nonprofit leaders can turn to us for term loans plus technical assistance, to help with:



Bridge capital for expected revenue, including grants + government contracts



Real estate acquisition



Business expansion



Equipment, fixtures, + machinery purchases



Commercial vehicle financing



Working capital + inventory

We are a trusted partner who understands the challenges of growing your business in this complex environment. If you have been told that some of your credit or financial factors are a roadblock to access capital, CFE is here to listen to you. Give us a call. Let us understand your vision and together we can explore ways to make your vision a reality.



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CFE was a great
partner in getting PUSH
Studio the financing
we needed to grow.
It might have been a
small loan to them,
but it made a big
difference for us.
We hired more staff,
updated our tech, and
had the capacity to
pursue new landscape
architecture contracts."



Glenn LaRue Smith FASLA, Partner, PUSH Studio

Small Business + Nonprofit Loan Terms

SMALL BUSINESSES

NONPROFITS

Commitment Fee	2% - 3.5% 0.5% - 1% 1st lien and/or alternative collateral	
Repayment Origination/	Amortizing	Amortizing
Combined Maximum Loan-to-Cost	70% LTC	
Interest Rate	6% - 10%	6% - 10%
Term	Up to 4 years (and up to 5 years of equipment & vehicle financing)	Up to 4 years (and up to 5 years of equipme & vehicle financing)
Amount	\$100K - \$500K*	
Borrower Eligibility	2 years in businesses; Minimum annual revenue of \$150,000; Minimum FICO of 620; ITINs accepted	5 years in business; Minimum annual revenue of \$500,000
Uses	Inventory, fixtures & machinery, equipment, commercial vehicles, business expansion, debt refinancing, working capital	Fixtures & machinery, equipment, commercivehicles, working capital, including short-term for contract receivables

^{*}For real estate acquisitions, amounts could be higher. See commercial real estate page for details.

This Is CFE: Women-Owned **Businesses**

A minority, woman-owned company located in DC's Ward 8, the Shuttle Bus Company employs DC residents to manage shuttle transportation programs for municipalities, colleges and universities, real estate developers, property managers, and construction companies. SBC designs and implements shuttle programs using state-of-the art tools that optimize safety, reliability, and efficiency. CFE supported SBC's growth through a line of credit to help bridge expenses as they were awarded new contracts.



