

Purpose

To provide members with favorably priced advances and letters of credit (LCs) for financing eligible economic development projects. Eligible advances and LCs are priced below Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago's (FHLBC) standard advance and LC rates.

Program Requirements and Guidelines

- Loans/LCs must be for eligible economic development projects (see chart below). The application must include documentation verifying that each project qualifies for one of the indicated beneficiary types.
- Underlying loans must be originated within 3 months prior to drawing the Community Advance.
- If a loan is participated out to another institution, the amount of the loan retained by the member applicant is eligible for the discounted rate.
- The term of the advance from the FHLBC should not exceed the term of loan to the member's customer. The maximum advance term is 10 years (longer maturities available). Please refer to the Member Products Guide for LC product terms.
- Separate applications must be completed for housing projects (Community Housing Advance). Applicants wishing to borrow for a mixed-use project should complete a Community Development Advance application.
- Member limits apply to the amount and maturities of outstanding Community Advances.

Conditions of Advance

- Allow a minimum of 24 to 48 hours processing time for application approval.
- Same advance types, collateral requirements, and prepayment fees as standard advances.
- Members may take multiple Community Advances up to the total amount of credit approved.
- Members may choose to utilize only a portion of the approved application amount.
- The approved amount of Community Advance credit will be impacted by the date the advance is drawn. Approved amounts may be reduced if previously originated loans were originated more than 3 months prior to receiving the Community Advance.

Eligible Economic Development Projects

Projects must meet at least one of the following criteria:

Beneficiary Type	Project Requirements	Documentation Requirements		
Geographic Beneficiaries	Location in targeted geographic areas. Typically, project will be located in a census tract with a median income at or below 100% of the area median income in urban areas or 115% in rural locations. Other targeted areas include Indian areas; Brownfields; Champion Communities, Empowerment or Enterprise Zones; federally declared disaster areas.	Complete the worksheet attached to the application. Refer to www.ffiec.gov for census tract data for the business location. • Click on Geocoding/Mapping System • Enter address, then click "Search" • Click "Get Census Demographic" Results of "Tract Median Family Income" field will be used to determine eligibility. Please submit FFIEC results with the application.		
Activity Beneficiaries	Project qualifies as a small business, based on Small Business Association (SBA) guidelines. Based on type of business, size standards will be determined by annual receipts or number of employees. Consult with CI staff or refer to the SBA website.	Complete the worksheet attached to the application. If qualified based on annual receipts, submit copy of schedule from most recent tax return or audited financial statements to verify receipts. If qualified based on number of employees, submit recent reports from third-party payroll provider or quarterly reporting to state to confirm number of employees.		
Individual Beneficiaries	At least 51% of permanent FTE employee salaries OR incomes of households served by the project are at or below 100% of the area median income (AMI) if located in an urban area, or at or below 115% of AMI if located in a rural area, using HUD income guidelines for a 4-person household.	Complete the worksheet attached to the application and submit documentation verifying salary or income information. Acceptable documentation may include recent reports from a third-party payroll provider, including year-to-date salary information, or quarterly reporting to state.		



1. General Information Member Name:	Member Number:				
Contact Person:	Title:				
Telephone Number: Extension:					
Email Address:					
2. Credit Information Advance					
Credit Type (Please check one)					
☐ Advance – Project Specific or Loans to be Originated ☐ ☐	Advance – Portfolio Funding (Previous 3 Months)				
Amount of Credit:					
Term of Advance ^(a) :					
Funding Date of Advance(b):					
Letters of Credit Credit Type (Please check one) Letter of Credit – Credit Enhancement for Bonds Amount of LC:	Letter of Credit – Performance Guaranty				
LC Term:					
B. Project Information Purpose of Financing (Check the appropriate box or boxes) □ New Construction □ Acquisition/Purchase □ Refinance □ Other (Specify):	Rehabilitation				
Is the project located in a rural area? Rural area is defined as lation of 25,000 or less; (b) an unincorporated area outside a rated area outside an MSA that qualifies for housing assistant Yes No Please provide a brief description of the proposed project.	s either (a) a unit of general local government with a popu- a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA); or (c) an unincorpo- ce from the United States Department of Agriculture.				

- (a) Term of advance from FHLBC should not exceed term(s) of underlying loan(s).
- (b) Previously originated loans must have been closed no more than 3 months prior to receiving the Community Advance.



4. Project Type (Please	check one)						
Commercial and Economic D		•					
☐ Mixed-Use – Residential and	l Commercial (Complete Sections 5, 6	, and work	sheet)			
For Mixed-Use projects, please	indicate porti	on of project that is eco	onomic dev	elopment:%			
5. Mixed-Use Project	(Complete if	project has both res	idential an	d non-residential components)			
For projects that include renta	al housing, plea	ase submit a unit mix v	vith monthl	y rental rates.			
Number of Rental Units:	Total Pro	oject Cost:					
Income Target of Rental Tenai	nts (indicate th	e number of units in ea	ach categor	y)			
Up to 50% AMI: 51-	-60% AMI:	61-80% AMI:	81	-115% AMI: > 115%:			
6. Economic Developi Number of jobs created or ret Economic Development Project	ained:	_ check those that apply	<i>(</i>)				
☐ Agriculture	☐ Comme	rcial Office	☐ Comme	ercial Retail			
☐ Commercial Wholesale	☐ Day Car	re	☐ Educati	on			
☐ Health Care	☐ Heavy Industrial		☐ Hotel				
☐ Infrastructure	☐ Light In	dustrial	☐ Manufacturing				
☐ Public Facilities	☐ Recreation		☐ Social Services				
☐ Other – Please describe:							
7 All projects must a	ualify upe	ler A. R. C. or D.	helow	Check the box that applies.			
A. Geographically Defined I				check the box that applies.			
☐ Neighborhood with a media		☐ Brownfield	- ()	☐ Champion Community*			
income at or below 100% of area median income (AMI) i		☐ Military Base Closing Area		☐ Empowerment Zone*			
areas or 115% AMI in rural		_ ,		☐ Enterprise Community*			
☐ CAIP Designated Community (NAFTA)		☐ Federal Disaster Area (Disaster date limits apply)		* As designated by either			
☐ Indian Area, Alaskan Native Village, or Hawaiian Homeland		☐ State Disaster Area (Disaster date limits apply)		the Secretary of HUD or the Secretary of the USDA			
Applications must include project	: address on atta	ched worksheet for each o	qualified geo	graphically defined beneficiary.			
B. Activity Beneficiary – Does the project meet the Small Business Administration (SBA) definition of a small business? (Consult with CI staff				Annual Receipts:			
or refer to the SBA website.)	silless? (Collsuit with C	.1 Stall	Number of Employees:				
☐ Yes ☐ No				NAIC Standard:			
Applications with qualified activity beneficiaries must include documentation of annual receipts or number of employees for each business.				For applications with multiple loans, provide details for individual loans on attached worksheet.			



C. Individual Beneficiaries – Employee Salaries. Annual salaries	Targeted Income	e Level (check one):	Number of permanent full time					
for at least 51% of the permanent	□CIP	Up to 80% AMI	equivalent (FTE) employees with incomes at or below the targeted					
employees created or retained by the project have incomes at or	☐ Urban Area	Up to 100% AMI	income level:					
below the targeted income level.	☐ Rural Area	Up to 115% AMI	Total number of FTE employees:					
☐ Yes ☐ No	HUD income guidelines are located on the FHLBC website.							
Applications with individual beneficiaries must include documentation of annual salaries for employees or households served.								
D. Individual Beneficiaries –	Targeted Income	e Level (check one):	Number of households served with					
Households Served. At least 51% of the families who benefit from	□CIP	Up to 80% AMI	incomes at or below the targeted income level:					
(other than through employment) or are provided services by the project	☐ Urban Area	Up to 100% AMI						
have incomes at or below the targeted	☐ Rural Area	Up to 115% AMI	Total number of households:					
☐ Yes ☐ No	HUD income guidelin FHLBC website.	es are located on the						

8. Authorized Signature

The undersigned duly authorized officer, acting with full authority to make the certifications below on behalf of the member, hereby certifies that:

- (1) The member will comply with the provisions of the Community Investment Cash Advance Program pursuant to Section 1430 of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act, regulations of the Federal Housing Finance Agency (12 CFR Part 1292), and guidelines and requirements of the FHLBC.
- (2) For mixed-use projects involving the refinance of rental housing and manufactured housing parks, proceeds were/will be used to rehabilitate the project or to preserve affordability for the current residents.
- (3) For projects that also receive funds from another targeted federal economic development program that has income targeting requirements that are the same as, or more restrictive than FHLBC targeting requirements, the borrower certifies that compliance with the criteria of such federal economic development program meets FHLBC requirements (attach borrower certification).

Authorized Signature	
Officer Name (please print)	
Officer Title	Date

Email the completed application, worksheet, and required documentation to mtd@fhlbc.com. Questions? Contact the Member Transaction Desk at 855.345.2244, option 1. Allow a minimum of 24 to 48 hours processing time for application approval.



Economic Development Project Worksheet(c)

Loan # (if applicable)	Name of Borrower/ Business	Loan/LC Amount	Business Type	Type Address / SBA size standard ^(d)	City	County	State	Zip Code	Loan/LC Date ^(e)	Loan/LC Term

Total	Loan/LC	Amount:	

- (c) A member-generated form is acceptable, provided that it includes all of the above data fields.
- (d) Indicate business address. If business qualifies as small business, identify the SBA size standard for the appropriate business type and the size of business (either in number of employees or annual receipts for most recent year) in Section 6B above.
- (e) Previously originated loans must have been closed no more than 3 months prior to receiving the Community Advance.