







## Helping Our Clients Succeed



# Opportunity Fund Small Business Program



Leading CA nonprofit
CDFI micro-lender

\$50M/yr

Run rate

\$250K

Max loan size in CA

1%

Default rate

\$115M

In responsible, alternative financing to underserved small businesses



Offices in SF, LA, San Jose

## How Microfinance Helps

**Mission:** To advance the economic well-being of working people by helping them earn, save, and invest in their future.



Providing clients with small but meaningful loans and financial advice.

Helping clients grow their small business, increase income, and create jobs. Building a foundation for economic mobility extending into the next generation.

### The Impact of Our Loans



90%

Business survival rate



20%

Increase in business income



3 Jobs

Created and sustained per loan



\$2

Generated in local economy for every \$1 invested

### Challenges Our Clients Face



Cash flow management is a common challenge. Less responsible lenders do not consider cash flow requirements.



Small businesses fail primarily because they cannot access the right financing.



Banks, which prefer lower-risk, higher-value loans of more than \$100K, are not meeting small businesses' need for credit.



Alternative lenders fill the gap. Some lend responsibly – others are not the lowest, most affordable options for clients.



### Business Financing of \$150k or Less





Bank lending is down



High-cost, short-term financing is targeting the gap

### Where Business Owners are Going for



# Comparison of Options

#### **Alternative Lending**

#### **Opportunity Fund**

APR	40-70%+ APR	8.5–18%+ APR
Terms	~ 6 to 18 months	Up to 60 months
Out-of-pocket cash	Medium to high initial cash outlays	Low cash outlays No more than 10% of receipts in most cases
Risk	Medium to high	Medium to high
Cash flow	Credit card sales, bank deposits, or shipping	Credit card sales, bank deposits, or shipping
Description	<ul> <li>✓ Fixed repayment amount</li> <li>✓ Fixed monthly payment</li> <li>✓ May or may not be a loan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Affordable payments, no penalty for paying early</li> <li>✓ Fixed monthly payment</li> <li>✓ Term loan, helps establish/build credit</li> </ul>
Main players	AdvanceMe, Inc., Can Capital, Dealstruck, Kabbage, OnDeck, Rapid Advance	



#### Abusive practices we are concerned about







- The Right to Transparent **Pricing and Terms**
- The Right to Fair Treatment from Brokers

The Right to **Non-Abusive Products** 

The Right to Fair Collections **Practices** 

- The Right to Responsible **Underwriting**
- The Right to Inclusive Credit Access

Signed by 37 orgs, Including:



































## **Opportunity Fund Loans**



#### Easy to get

- ✓ Minimum documentation
  - ✓ No credit OK



#### **Fast**

✓ Get cash in as few as 2 to 5 days



#### **Affordable**

- ✓ No hidden fees
- ✓ No prepayment penalties
- ✓ Rates starting at 8.5%