Community Revitalization Collaboratives





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Capital for Communities – Opportunities for People

- Long tradition of private community development initiatives
 Settlement housing in the early 20th century
 Early efforts were voluntary, religious, etc.
- The Great Depression changed things
 Public Funding

Federal Initiatives

The Great Society

Power to the People

Direct federal funding of "Grass Roots" organizations

- Late 20th Century

Flexibility, CDBG Negative Income Tax UDAG and CDFI



Community Development Funding in Context

Mostly Public

Mostly Private

Public Works	FHA	Low-Income Housing Tax Credits
Urban Renewal	EDA	
HUD	CDFIs	Industrial Development Bonds
Great Society	"Public/Private Partnerships"	New Markets Tax Credits
CDBG, UDAG		



Continuum of CD Initiatives

- No dollars
- Huge federal deficits
- State deficits
- Low interest rates
- Smaller governmental role
- Political gridlock
- Global competition



The Landscape Today

- Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Zones
 - Geographically targeted investments
- Revolving Loan Funds
 - CDCs
 - CDFIs
 - EDA
- Tax Credits
 - Historical Preservation Tax Credit
 - Low-Income Housing Tax Credit
 - New Markets Tax Credit



Legacy of Past Investment

- Intergovernmental transfers
- Grants and subsidies
- Revolving Loan Funds as a delivery system for federal programs



How We Organized to Deliver Federal Dollars

Command and Control Top Down All things to all people Delivery Mechanisms Rules



Vertical Organizations

- Move from Rule-Driven delivery systems to Mission Driven financial institutions
- Rule Driven Delivery System
 - Categorical
 - Limited flexibility
 - Intergovernmental transfers





Rule Driven

Mission Driven



Continuum of CD Organizations

- "Mission Driven"
 - 501 (c)(3) Charitable Organizations
 - Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs)
 - Community Development Corporations (CDCs)



Examples of Rule vs. Mission Driven

Political

Economic



Who Makes the Investment Decision?

- Financial Innovation
- Increased use of technology
- Creation of new markets and "quasi markets"
 - Trading air pollution
 - CDFIs



Current Trends

- Mission
- Subsidy
- Equity
- Leverage private capital





The Role of Community Development Financial Institutions **Functions of Development Lenders**

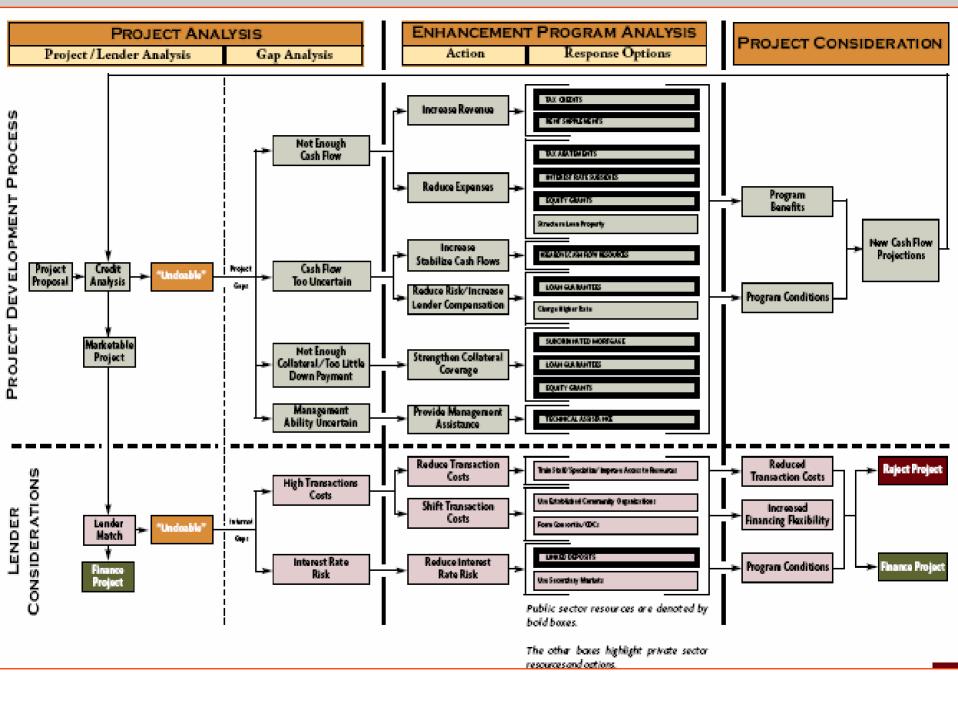
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Doing Undoable Deals



Purposes of Community Development Loans

- Incentives
- Gap Financing
- Surrogate Equity
- Affordable Housing



Multiple Community Impact Objectives

- Leverage
- Pricing
- Complex Structure
- Specialization
- Differentiation



How Can Community Development Lenders Tap Capital Markets?

Purely Charitable

	Grants	Social Investments	Wall Street
What	Volunteerism	PRIs	IDBs
	Forgivable loans	EQ2s	CLOs
		Reactive = Social Screens	Asset Backed Securities
		Proactive = Direct Investments	
Who	Governmental	Investors	Banks
	Individuals Religious Institutions	Foundations	Mutual Funds
		0	Insurance Companies
		Institutions	Individuals



Here Is Where CRF Comes Into Play

- Small Loan Volumes
- Small Staff
- Delivery System Model



The Dilemma of the Vertically Integrated Institution Functions of the Vertically Integrated Institution

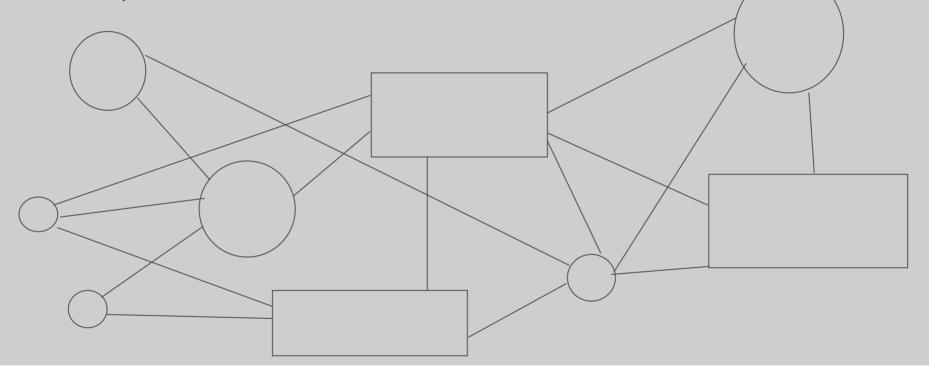
- Marketing
- Organizing and planning
- Security
- Fundraising
- Origination
- Servicing
- Collecting
- Compliance
- Technical Assistance



The Dilemma of the Vertically Integrated Institution

Community Development Financial Network

Create specialized and differentiated organizations that can operate at an efficient scale





Alternative Approach

Here's Where Community Reinvestment Fund Plays a Role



Community Reinvestment Fund USA

To transform the Community Development Finance system by accessing capital markets on behalf of local lending partners so they can increase their impacts on people and communities



CRF USA's Mission

- A national non-profit financial services organization based in Minneapolis, MN
- Provides capital to communities by purchasing economic development and affordable housing loans from community development lenders
- Helped establish New Markets Tax Credit as a member of the NMTC Coalition





- More than \$450 million in loans purchased
- \$265 million in debt securities issued
- \$54 million in loans placed with institutional investors
- More than \$85 million in NMTC loans closed
- Loss ratio is less than 0.5%
- Loans from 113 sellers in 25 states and Washington, DC





CRF Track Record

- Highly specialized, experienced people who...
- Helped spawn other specialized organizations
 Minnesota Community Capital Fund
 Twin Cities Community Capital Fund
 South Dakota Community Capital Fund



Specialized Expertise

- Securitization
- Sale of whole loans
- New Markets Tax Credits



Sources of Capital for the Secondary Market

- 2% charitable contributions
 - Major foundation support: MacArthur, Ford, Fannie Mae F B Heron, McKnight and others

18% social-rate investments

 Prudential, U S Bank, Wells Fargo, HSBC Bank

80% market-rate investments

 Northwestern Mutual, Met Life, Washington Mutual, ELCA Board of Pensions, Methodist Pension Fund, CRA Fund Advisors, Access Capital Strategies, Catholic Slavic Ladies Association, Mennonite Mutual Aid, Citibank, JPMorganChase





How CRF USA Leverages Funds

- Two series of notes totaling \$130 million
- Portions of these were rated AAA by Standard & Poor's



CRF USA – Rated Securities

- \$46.1 million total security
 \$26.1 million in Class A Notes
- Rated by Standard & Poor's
- Privately Placed





Details on CRF USA's Recent Rated Economic Development Security

\$26,091,000 Class A Notes consisting of:

	Original Amount	Interest Rate	S & P Rating	Expected Final Distribution Date
A-1	\$8,871,000	2.77%	AAA	August, 2006
A-2	\$8,610,000	3.59%	AAA	March, 2008
A-3	\$8,610,000	4.21%	AAA	August, 2009



Details on CRF USA's Recent Rated Economic Development Security

- Senior class Pay rate equivalent to Triple B securities. Weighted average maturity: 30.4 months assuming no losses, 38 months with 3% loss.
- Junior class Issued by pre-arrangement with supporting institutional investors. Weighted average maturity 65 months.
- Supporting class: CRF's portion. Payment begins when other classes paid off.



Difference Among Security Classes

- Can be earned for banks by purchasing loans
- Depending on circumstances, can qualify as either a loan or investment
- CRF allocates security geographically to various lenders to help meet CRA tests





- New Opportunity to access the capital markets
- 39% Federal Tax Credit over 7 years
- Must be invested in Community Development Entities that have been awarded tax credit allocation
- Investments in Qualified Low-Income Businesses
- Located in Low-Income Communities



New Markets Tax Credit

- Congress recently amended NMTC statute
- Now includes Low-Income Places *and* People
- IRS must issue new regulations before statutory changes can be implemented



New Markets Tax Credit

- NMTC has the scale to get Wall Street's attention
- Connects "Wall Street" to "Main Street" Community Development
- Transforming the Field of Community Development Finance



New Markets Tax Credit

- We don't speak each other's language
- Skills needed to change
- Mission driven vs. rule driven
- Innovation







- Access to tax credits with greater advantages
- Lower interest rate to lending organization
- No origination fee assessed by CRF to lending partner
- Lending organizations can make additional dollars



Teaming Up with CRF – The Benefits

The CRF NMTC Allocation

\$312.5 Allocation from Rounds 1 and 2 to be used nationally in two programs

- Originate loans to large commercial projects with substantial community impact aka "Commercial Lending, LLC"
- Purchase loans made to qualified active low income community businesses from community development entity (CDE) lenders aka "Business Loan Conduit, LLC"



CRF New Markets Strategy

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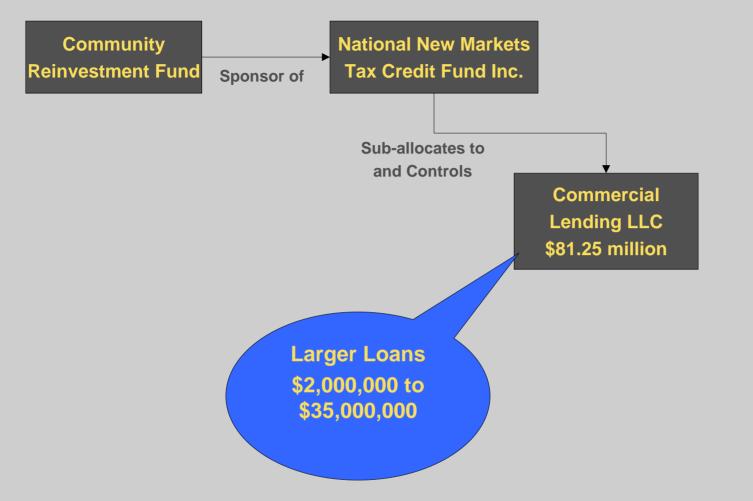




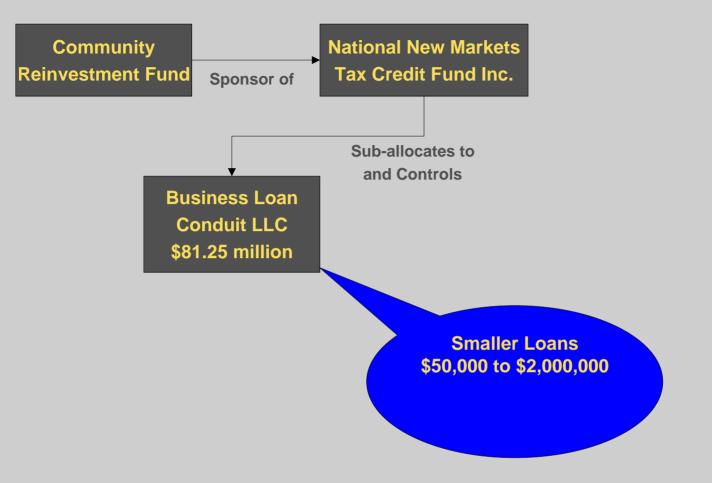




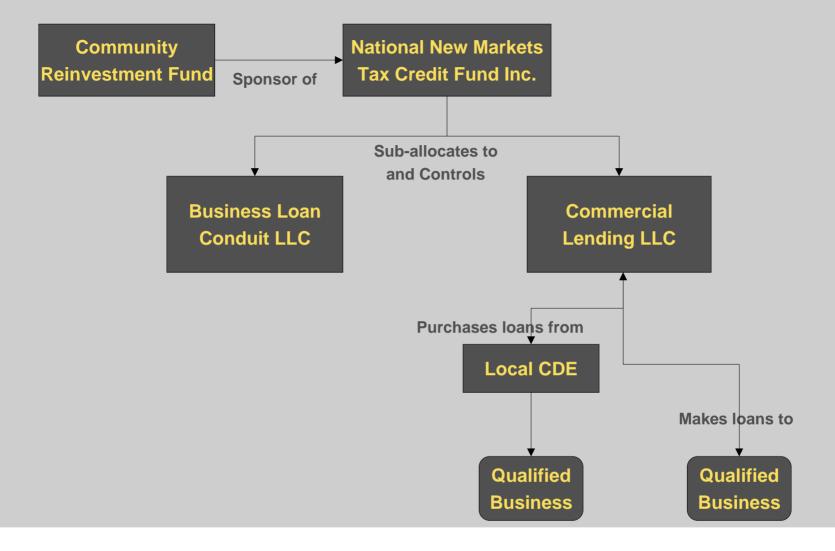




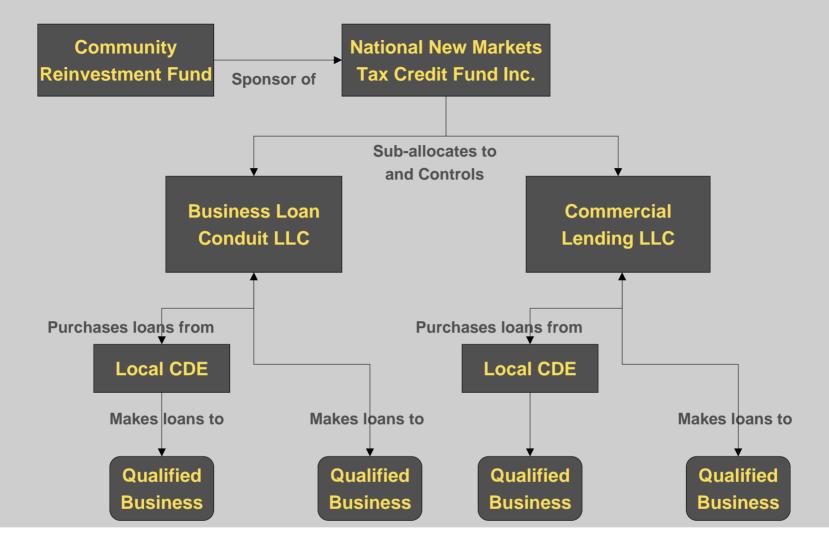














Determine Core Competencies

Create a Value Chain

Focus on Mission

Work Horizontally as well as Vertically





How Can This Work in Baltimore?

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