

<u>Illinois State Treasurer</u>

INVEST IN ILLINOIS - BUSINESS LOAN GUARANTEE LENDER PARTICIPATION APPLICATION

This form, Business Loan Guarantee Lender Participation Application ("Application"), is to be completed by an authorized representative ("Authorized Representative") of a bank or credit union ("Financial Institution"), seeking to provide loan guarantee support under the Invest in Illinois Business Loan Guarantee Program ("Program"), to businesses ("Business") located in low-income communities. Financial Institution further acknowledges that all loans that are guaranteed by the Office of the Illinois State Treasurer ("Treasurer") under the Program must comply with the Community Development Loan Guarantee Act, 15 ILCS 516.

I hereby attest and certify that the following statements are true and accurate:

- 1. I am______ (title) of Financial Institution, and I am authorized to execute this Application on behalf of Financial Institution;
- 2. I am authorized to act on behalf of Financial Institution and have authority to bind Financial Institution;
- 3. Financial Institution understands that a Business receiving a loan guarantee through the Program must have less than 500 employees at the time of application to the Program. The Program excludes Businesses engaged in the following industries: investment real estate, tobacco, adult entertainment, and gambling.
- 4. Financial Institution understands that any Business approved to receive a loan guarantee through the Program must be located in a low-income community in Illinois. A low-income community is defined as:
 - a. located in a geographic area or areas that has a poverty rate of at least 20% according to the latest data from the U.S. Census Bureau;
 - b. in the case of a tract not located within a metropolitan area, the median family income for such tract does not exceed 80% of statewide median family income; or
 - c. in the case of a tract located within a metropolitan area, the median family income for such tract does not exceed 80% of the greater of statewide median family income or the metropolitan area median family income.
- 5. Financial Institution understands that any business approved to receive a loan guarantee through the Program must be in good standing with the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State;
- 6. Financial Institution understands that all businesses must complete and submit an ITR-1 Request for Tax Clearance to the Illinois Department of Revenue and the Treasurer must receive proof of compliance with all tax payments;
- 7. Financial Institution understands that loans guaranteed under the Program shall not be used to refinance existing debt;
- 8. Financial Institution certifies that it will provide to the Treasurer the reason that its existing loan products did not meet the needs of the Business;
- 9. Upon approval to participate in the Program, participating Financial Institutions will be allocated up to \$1,000,000 in loan guarantees based on the availability of guarantee funds. Financial Institutions must allocate all of their guarantee funds within one year. In the event that the Financial Institution does not allocate all of its guarantee funds within a year, a new application will need to be completed for the remaining unallocated funds;
- 10. Financial Institution will be responsible for paying a one-time, non-refundable fee of \$1,000, which shall be due within 30 days from the allocation of the guarantee funds;
- 11. Financial Institution understands that each term of the Business Guarantee is a maximum of 5 years;
- 12. Financial Institution understands that under the Program, the maximum allowable guarantee amount is up to 25% of the Business loan amount;
- 13. Financial Institution will notify the Treasurer immediately when the Business has defaulted on their loan payments. In the case of a loan guarantee activation, payment of the guarantee is only to occur if the Financial Institution realizes a loss, and the Treasurer's payment shall not exceed the amount of the loss or the amount in the loan guarantee account, whichever is less;
- 14. Financial Institution has an IDC rating of at least 75;
- 15. Financial Institution must be an FDIC-insured financial institution, or a credit union insured by the NCUA or other approved share insurer pursuant to the Illinois Credit Union Act [205 ILCS 305/58];
- 16. Financial Institution is authorized to conduct business in Illinois as an Illinois financial institution or a national financial

- institution with a presence in Illinois and is in good standing with financial regulators;
- 17. Financial Institution acknowledges that the Treasurer will require an annual report that includes information on all of the loans that have received guarantees through the Program;
- 18. Financial Institution acknowledges that the Treasurer may, upon review of the Lender Participation Application or the Business Guarantee Application, deny the loan guarantee;
- 19. Participating Financial Institution will have 30 business days from the allocation of the guarantee funds to submit the initial Business Guarantee Application to the Treasurer for approval;
- 20. I have such familiarity with the business and affairs of the Financial Institution so as to be able to knowledgeably make the statements set forth in this attestation and certification;
- 21. I understand that the Treasurer will rely, in part, on the statements set forth herein in connection with determining whether Financial Institution will be approved as a lender under the Program and such statements must be accurate;
- 22. A participating Financial Institution may leave the program at a time mutually agreed upon between the participating Financial Institution and the Treasurer; and
- 23. In accordance with 74 Ill. Adm. Code 715, if the Treasurer becomes aware that a participating Financial Institution has violated any applicable State or federal regulatory guidelines and/or lending laws, including State predatory lending laws, the Treasurer may terminate the Financial Institution's participation in the Program.

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PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: lnvestinIllinois@illinoistreasurer.gov

Invest in Illinois Loan Guarantee Program

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For more information or assistance in completing this form, contact the Illinois State Treasurer's Office at (217) 558-6217.

