

THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND

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Highlights of the FY 2006 Bank Enterprise Award (BEA) Program

Through the **Bank Enterprise Award** ("BEA") Program, the CDFI Fund supports financial institutions around the country that are dedicated to financing and supporting community and economic development activities. The BEA Program complements the community development activities of insured depository institutions (i.e., banks and thrifts) by providing financial incentives to expand investments in CDFIs and to increase lending, investment, and service activities within economically Distressed Communities. Providing monetary awards for increasing community development activities leverages the Funds dollars and puts more capital to work in Distressed Communities throughout the nation.

The Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) Fund selected 47 FDIC-insured institutions to receive just under \$12 million in Bank Enterprise Award (BEA) Program awards. The average award was \$232,941.

Applicants

- 68 applicants requested just over \$45 million in awards for increasing their support of CDFIs or their activities in distressed communities throughout the country by over \$318 million.

Award Amounts By Category

- 33 awards in the CDFI Related Category totaling \$4.2 million.
- 18 awards in the Distressed Community Financing Activities Category totaling \$7.6 million.

Applicant Activity Level

- Of the 68 institutions requesting BEA Program awards:
 - 6 provided \$800,000 in equity investments or grants to CDFIs;
 - 34 provided \$77.0 million in loans, deposits, and technical assistance to CDFIs;
 - 33 provided \$380.4 million in loans or investments in distressed communities; and
 - 3 provided \$1.1 million in financial services or financial education in distressed communities.

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Applicant Activity Level (Continued)

- 82 CDFI Partners received financial assistance from BEA applicants.
- Comparing the Assessment Period of January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005 to the Baseline Period (2004), BEA Program applicants:
 - Increased their equity investments or grants to CDFIs by almost \$2 million.
 - Increased their loan, deposits, and technical assistance to CDFIs by almost \$70 million.
 - Increased their loans and investments in distressed communities by a total of \$245 million.
 - Increased their financial services in distressed communities by a total of \$1 million.

Applicant Characteristics

- 23 (49%) of the BEA Program Awardees are certified CDFIs and they received awards totaling \$8.8 million (74%).
- Applicants are headquartered in 15 states.