Our Mission
Grow businesses that create jobs in underserved communities

Our Vision
All business owners have an equal opportunity to succeed

309 Jobs Created
93 New Business Starts
4517 Total Clients Served
381 Funders & Donors
68 Loans Disbursed

$3,500,000 in New Loan Originsations with an average loan size of around $50,000
Over $12,000,000 in Current Assets
Over $3,000,000 Current Annual Budget

Data for 2019

Small Business Services: Coaching, Classes, and Capital for Underserved Entrepreneurs
Nonprofit CDFI since 1997 • Serving Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska
About Us

Business Impact NW is a nonprofit Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) dedicated to serving under-banked entrepreneurs. We provide coaching, classes and access to capital to community small businesses, with an emphasis on working with traditionally underserved populations - entrepreneurial low/moderate income earners, women, people of color, veterans, immigrants or members of the LGBTQ community. We have been serving the community since 1997.

Our organization was founded as Seattle Economic Development Fund and was previously known as Community Capital Development. Business Impact NW is a certified, rated and regulated financial institution. It is not a U.S. or state government agency.

Business Impact NW’s objective is to provide financial and technical support to entrepreneurs in economically marginalized communities who would not otherwise have access to financial services. Our lending guidelines are more flexible than traditional banks because of our community impact mission, allowing for carefully considered risk on underserved small businesses.

Our lending services are offered in Washington and Oregon. Additionally we offer free training, coaching and classes in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska through various technical assistance programs, including the Washington Women’s Business Center (WWBC), Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC), and Food Business Resource Center (FBRC).

Programs

Washington Women’s Business Center (WWBC)
WWBC equips women and their families in Washington State with the resources to successfully start and run their businesses.

Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC)
VBOC equips veteran, active duty service members, and their spouses with the resources to successfully start and run their businesses in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska.

Food Business Resource Center (FBRC)
FBRC provides food-related business entrepreneurs access to skills, resources, networks, and marketplace opportunities needed to start, run, and grow.

Small Business Lending
Business Impact NW is a compassionate small business lender offering loans ranging from $5,000 to $350,000 to any-stage business owners in Washington and Oregon. Our average loan is around $50,000.

Sustaining Partners:

Harborstone Credit Union
BECU
Verity
USDA
SBA

Business Impact NW