



## about US

OVER  
**40** YEARS  
OF IMPACT

colorado  
**enterprise**  
fund

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### our **Mission**

To accelerate community prosperity by financing and supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses in Colorado.

### our **History**

Founded in 1976 in Colorado as a nonprofit lending source for small businesses that are unable to obtain traditional bank financing.

### strategic **Goals**

Foster economic development by:

- Stimulating small business ownership
- Nurturing viable business models
- Creating and retaining local jobs
- Promoting opportunities for small business training and growth
- Revitalizing neighborhood commerce and industry through partnerships

### structure & **Size**

- 501 c(3) nonprofit corporation
- Certified CDFI (Community Development Financial Institution) by US Department of Treasury
- Nationally AERIS rated<sup>†</sup>
- 18 staff members
- \$26 million in total assets
- \$9 million in loans disbursed annually
- 200+ new loans closed annually
- 550+ loans managed currently

### target **Market**

- Small businesses lacking access to loan capital to start or grow
- Viable small businesses competing in the mainstream economy
- Businesses with fewer than 50 employees
- Businesses that are expanding operations
- Economically disadvantaged entrepreneurs

### products & **Services**

- Loans up to \$500,000 for eligible startup and existing businesses
- Rates and terms vary depending on loan size, credit and use of funds
- In-house business advising services at minimal or no cost for borrowers
- Bilingual application and business coaching support

### performance & **Impact**

- 55% of loans to low income owners
- 50% of loans to women
- 25% of loans to minorities
- 36% of loans to startups
- 96% loan repayment rate
- 8.5 jobs assisted per loan (average)
- 2,000+ loans closed
- \$60 million loaned

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## Want to learn more about CEF?

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<sup>†</sup>For details on AERIS ratings for CDFIs, please visit [www.aerisinsight.com](http://www.aerisinsight.com)

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