

**NJEDA Main Street Lenders Grant  
Approved and Participating Microbusiness Grantees as of February 2026**

| Microbusiness Lender   | Contact  | Product Offering (includes technical assistance)  |
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| <p align="center"><b>Ascendus, Inc.</b><br/><a href="http://www.ascendus.org/products/">www.ascendus.org/products/</a></p>                   | <p align="center">Kate Watts<br/><a href="mailto:kwatts@ascendus.org">kwatts@ascendus.org</a></p>  | <p align="center">Microbusiness loans between \$10,000 and \$100,000 with loan terms up to six years and interest rates of 5%.</p>  |
| <p align="center"><b>Renaissance Economic Development Corp.</b><br/><a href="#">New Jersey Main Street Micro Business Loan</a></p>           | <p align="center">Glenn Davis<br/><a href="mailto:glenn@renaissancesbs.org">glenn@renaissancesbs.org</a></p>   | <p align="center">Microbusiness loans between \$10,000 and \$50,000 with 60-month terms and 5% fixed rates to businesses in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union, and Warren Counties.</p> |
| <p align="center"><b>Grow America</b><br/><a href="#">Lending and entrepreneurial support - Grow America</a></p>                             | <p align="center">Ann Finnegan<br/><a href="mailto:afinnegan@growamerica.org">afinnegan@growamerica.org</a></p>                                      | <p align="center">Microbusiness loans between \$10,000 and \$100,000, with interest rates not to exceed 5%.</p>   |
| <p align="center"><b>TruFund Financial Services, Inc.</b><br/><a href="#">Small Business Lending In New York   New Jersey - TruFund</a></p>  | <p align="center"><a href="#">Complete Trufund Lead Form</a><br/><br/>Victoria Tate<br/><a href="mailto:vtate@trufund.org">vtate@trufund.org</a></p> | <p align="center">Microbusiness loans between \$10,000 and \$100,000 to for profit and non-profit organizations located in low- to moderate-income (LMI) areas and that employ LMI workers.</p>   |
| <p align="center"><b>Cumberland Empowerment Zone, Inc.</b><br/><a href="http://www.cezcorp.org">www.cezcorp.org</a></p>                      | <p align="center">Denise Jackson<br/><a href="mailto:denise@cezcorp.org">denise@cezcorp.org</a></p>  | <p align="center">Microbusiness loans between \$10,000 and \$25,000 to with no collateral required, or between \$25,001 and \$100,000 with collateral required. Serves for profit and nonprofit businesses located in Cumberland County.</p>                  |
| <p align="center"><b>Invest Newark, A NJ Nonprofit Organization</b><br/><a href="#">Business Development Capital – Invest Newark</a></p>     | <p align="center">Therone Hopkins<br/><a href="mailto:thopkins@investnewark.org">thopkins@investnewark.org</a></p>                                   | <p align="center">Provides loan amounts between \$10,000 and \$100,000 to home-based, non-profit, sole proprietors, and start-ups with a commercial location in Newark.</p>   |
| <p align="center"><b>Carver Federal Savings Bank</b><br/><a href="#">Business &amp; Commercial Lending › Carver Federal Savings Bank</a></p> | <p align="center">718-230-2900<br/><a href="mailto:Microloans@carverbank.com">Microloans@carverbank.com</a></p>                                      | <p align="center">Microbusiness loans between \$10,000 and \$50,000 to businesses that have a commercial or home-based location in New Jersey.</p>  |