The MAPA-NEF EDA Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) provides funding for locally owned start-up businesses, as well as, existing businesses seeking to expand that have been impacted by COVID-19. These businesses demonstrate the capacity to create and/or retain quality local jobs. Priority will be given to local businesses owned and operated by underserved entrepreneurs.

## WHAT IS MAPA

MAPA is a regional Council of Governments which exists to provide local governments with planning and technical support, thinking regionally and long range on the core issues that impact the vibrancy of the Greater Omaha-Council Bluffs area.

These are issues of mutual benefit such as transportation, infrastructure, housing and natural resources. MAPA works with communities to identify opportunities, secure funding and other resources for critical projects and build consensus.

# WHAT IS NEF

The Nebraska Enterprise Fund is a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) providing business development services and financing to micro and small businesses serving Nebraska and Southwest Iowa. NEF supports underserved communities by providing micro and small businesses with access to training, technical assistance and capital and serves a target market of traditionally disadvantaged small businesses, including those owned by people of color, low-income people, women and veterans.

## **COUNTIES SERVED:**

#### **NEBRASKA**

Cass Sarpy
Douglas Washington

#### **IOWA**

Mills Pottawattamie



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A partnership between MAPA and NEF





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# THE MAPA-NEF RLF TARGETS BUSINESSES THAT:



Seek Funds for Business Growth & Expansion



Demonstrate or project the ability to succeed.



Create or retain employment opportunities in MAPA's service area.

# **ELIGIBLE FOR-PROFIT BUSINESSES INCLUDE:**

- Manufacturing, assembling, fabricating or processing of tangible personal property
- Storing, warehousing, distributing, transporting, or selling of tangible personal property
- Research, development, or testing for scientific, agricultural, animal husbandry, food product, or industrial purposes
- Data processing, telecommunications, insurance or financial services
- Transportation, retail, service and tourism
- Food Service and Catering
- Construction and related activities





#### **ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:**

- Acquisition of real estate and buildings
- Acquisition of machinery, equipment, property or services
- Working Capital

## **LENDING PRODUCTS**

- Direct Loans
- Gap Financing
- Invoice Finance

### **ADDITIONAL NEF SERVICES:**

- Ongoing training for entrepreneurs and small businesses to expand their business acumer and competency
- Individual and small group coaching and mentoring

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