

PADD provides assistance to the entrepreneur seeking low-interest loans, grants, technical assistance, business advice or just help in writing a business plan.

Working with various federal, state and local agencies, PADD may provide the financial or technical assistance your business needs.

Most PADD loan programs are primarily for fixed asset financing, and may offer assistance for inventory, working capital, or start-up costs through the Small Business Administration's (SBA) Microloan Program.

The Federal Guaranty programs will guarantee funds loaned by lending institutions for fixed assets, as well as inventory, working capital, start-up costs, or debt refinancing.



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**BUSINESS
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Your business needs to expand ... Where do you turn for financing?

The **Purchase Area Development District's Business Lending Department** provides funding options for applicable small businesses in the Purchase Area. If your business is located in Ballard, Calloway, Carlisle, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, Marshall or McCracken County, PADD may provide the assistance you need!

The PADD serves as an intermediary between the small business owner and low-interest federal loan programs, and offers other financing options as well.

PADD is a resource center for information valuable to the business community.

PADD is proud to stay at the forefront of business and economic indicators and trends invaluable to local business. Workshops are offered at various times throughout the year to aid the business owners in establishing and maintaining a prosperous and long-lived business.

If you are an existing business planning to expand or purchase equipment, you may be eligible for a low interest rate loan.

Please Note...

All loan programs require a credit check. A copy of your credit report will be obtained through a national credit-reporting agency. Additionally, each financial assistance program requires an application as well as any other relevant information that may be necessary to determine an applicant's ability to borrow money. PADD will assist in analyzing the proposed project and selecting the financial program which best suits the immediate and future needs of your business.

PADD's Business Lending Services Department provides access to such loan programs as:

SBA Certified Development Company 504 Loan Program (SBA 504)

The 504 Program may offer long-term, fixed-rate financing for existing or expanding businesses at a reasonable interest rate. Jobs must be created on a job/cost/dollar ratio. Total debt amount cannot exceed \$1,300,000.

Economic Development Administration Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

The EDA RLF loan program provides assistance to expanding or start-up small businesses in economically distressed areas, providing stability by creating and maintaining jobs for the unemployed or underemployed. The RLF offers low interest rate fixed loans. Jobs must be created on a job/cost/dollar ratio. The maximum loan amount is \$200,000.



Rural Development Intermediary Relending Program (IRP)

The RD IRP provides fixed asset financing, with a reasonable interest rate for the term of the loan for eligible start-up or expanding businesses. Jobs must be created on a job/cost/dollar ratio. Maximum loan amount is \$150,000.

PACRO Entrepreneurial Development Fund
The Paducah Area Community Reuse Organization (PACRO) provides business start-up loans to employees, retirees, family members and subcontractors of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

SBA Microloan Program (MICRO) The SBA Micro program combines flexibility and low interest rates for small businesses seeking financing for equipment, inventory, working capital, and start-up costs. The interest rate, which is tied to prime rate, is reasonable and fixed for the term of the loan. Jobs must be created/maintained on a job/cost/dollar ratio, with the maximum loan amount being \$35,000.

Rural Development Rural Business Enterprise Grant

Revolving Loan Fund (RBEG-RLF) provides fixed-asset financing for start-up or expanding businesses at a reasonable interest rate, fixed for the term of the loan. The RBEG-RLF has a maximum loan amount of \$150,000, and jobs must be created on a job/cost/dollar ratio.

RD Business & Industry Loan Guaranty (B&I)

The primary purpose of this program is to create and maintain employment and improve the economic and environmental climate in communities. The purpose is achieved through strengthening the existing credit structure of lenders who play a vital role in the program by making and servicing quality loans. Rural Development guarantees up to 80% of a loss of principal and interest on a loan to the lending institutions for projects less than \$5 million.

SBA 7(a) Loan Guaranty Program

The 7(a) loan program provides eligible small businesses with guarantees on loans made by private lenders. SBA guarantees up to 75% of a loss of principal and interest on a loan to the lending institutions up to a total of \$1,000,000.