











Bridging the Capital Access Gap

A Curriculum for Lenders, Business Development Organizations, and TA Providers





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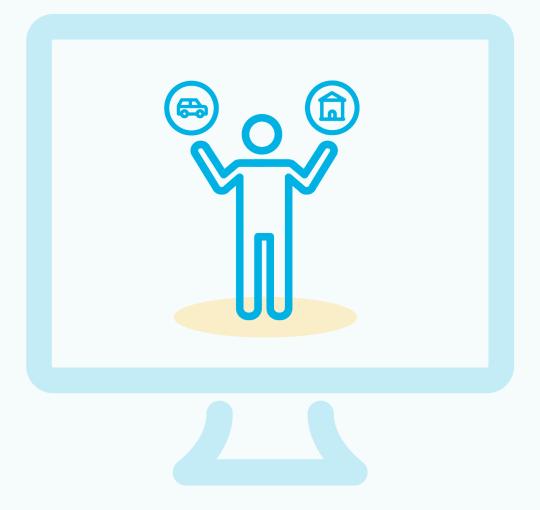


Collateral



Collateral: What You'll Learn

- Why lenders require collateral.
- Conventional vs mission-based lenders.
- Common forms of collateral.
- Alternatives.





Why lenders require collateral

- Collateral is an asset that the lender can take if the borrower defaults.
- Reduces risk a lender will sell collateral to recoup losses.
- Serves as evidence that a borrower intends to repay their debt.

"Banks and other lenders don't really want your collateral. They're not in the collateral business — they're in the money business."



Collateral details

- How lenders evaluate, secure, and collect collateral is complicated.
- There are legal elements.
- As BDO staff, you don't need to know all the details – that's the lender's job.
- Know enough to help your clients navigate this element of the capital access process.



Conventional vs. Mission-based lenders



Conventional Lenders

often require high-value fixed assets because they are easier to value and liquidate.



Mission-Based Lenders

might take lower-value collateral and collateral alternatives such as personal guarantees and co-signers.

Common forms of collateral

- Real estate: homes and commercial buildings.
- Vehicles and large equipment: cars, trucks, vans.
- Business assets: inventory, small equipment, computers, etc.

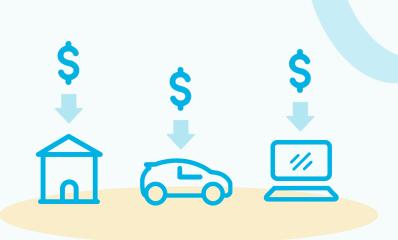






Appraisal value and loan amount

- Lenders will get an appraisal of collateral.
- Since lenders liquidate collateral quickly and cover their liquidation costs, they discount the value.
- Thus, they may only be willing to lend 50% - 80% of the collateral value.
- If the fixed asset is a niche item and not used widely, they may discount the value even more.



Liens and position

- A lien is a legal filing on property giving a lender the legal recourse to an asset.
- Lien priority determines the order in which creditors get paid in a foreclosure.
- Conventional lenders prefer to be in first position.
- Mission-based lenders willing to be in second position.
 Example: SBA 504 loan program.
- Costs to secure collateral might be passed on to borrower.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

What is a Property Lien?



What is a lien?

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Alternatives: Personal Guarantee

- A personal guarantee is an individual's legal promise to repay credit issued to a business for which they serve as an owner, executive, or partner.
- A personal guarantee says owner will personally make those payments if the business can't.
- All owners of a business, depending on their percent ownership, may be responsible for qualifying and paying back the loan.
 - For example: SBA programs require anyone with
 20%+ ownership to be on the loan.



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Personal Guarantees

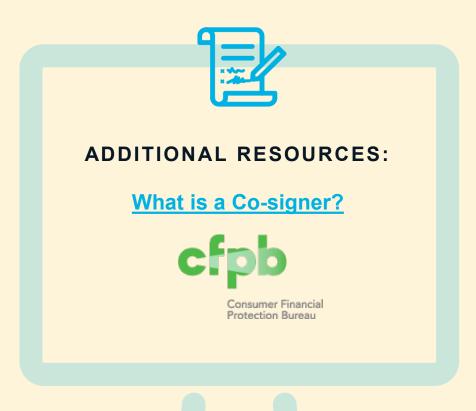


Personal Guarantees

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Alternatives: Co-Signer

- A co-signer is a person such as a parent or family member – who pledges to pay back the loan if you do not.
- Co-signer's income and credit record are included in the underwriting analysis.
- Co-signer will sign closing documents pledging to pay the loan back thus making him/her liable for repayment.
- Usually, the co-signer must have good credit, income and a strong personal tie to the borrower.



Research lender collateral requirements

- Get to know the lenders in your region.
- Ask them about their collateral requirements and process.
- Ask what security costs will be passed on to the borrower.
- Work with clients to meet lender requirements.





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