



**Request for Applications (RFA)
For a 2010 Micro Loan Program
and a Small Business Loan
Program Funded with Community
Development Block Grant (CDBG)
through the 2010 Action Plan and
CDBG-R Funded by the American
Recovery & Reinvestment Act
of 2009**

The Miami-Dade County Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) is seeking non-profit operators for two (2) small business loan programs. A total of **\$750,000** in **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** funds are available for the **2010 Micro-Loan Program** and **\$1.9 million** is available for a **2010 Small Business Loan Assistance Program** for small and medium-size businesses as part of the federal recovery initiative funded through the **American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009** Maximum loan amount in the micro-loan program is **\$25,000** program and **\$100,000** in the small business program.

Both programs aim to assist businesses in Miami-Dade County's: (1) State Enterprise Zone, (2) Federal Enterprise Community-Empowerment Zone, (3) Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSAs) (4) Eligible Block Groups and (5) Designated Targeted Urban Areas. Loans will also be available to businesses outside those areas on a countywide basis however, businesses must create jobs for low and moderate-income persons in order to qualify for a loan in both programs.

Applicants must meet Federal, State and local requirements.

Request for Application packages and instructions will be available for **printing only** on the OCED web site: <http://www.miamidade.gov/ced> or may be picked up starting **Thursday, July 2, 2009** until **Thursday, July 30, 2009** (Monday through Friday) during working hours (from 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m.) at:

**Office of Community and Economic Development
Community and Economic Development Division
701 N.W. 1st Court, 14th Floor**

Applicants are encouraged to attend the following workshops to learn about the application process and requirements of **each program**.

Micro-Loan Program	Small Business Loan Program
Monday, July 20, 2009 – 1-3 p.m.	Monday, July 20, 2009 – 3-5 p.m.
Overtown Transit Village Building	Overtown Transit Village Building
701 N.W. 1st Court	701 N.W. 1st Court
14th Floor North Conf. Room	14th Floor North Conf. Room
Miami, FL 33136	Miami, FL 33136

Completed applications must be hand delivered to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, Stephen P. Clark Center, 17th Floor, 111 N.W. First Street, Miami, Florida 33128, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on or before Thursday, July 30, 2009.

On Friday, July 31, 2009, all applications must be hand delivered no later than 12:00 noon to the OCED address:

**Overtown Transit Village Building
701 N.W. 1st Ct. First Floor Training Room**

For additional information, please call OCED at: (786) 469-2100

****INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED****

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