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LIFTFUND, INC.

LiftFund is a nonprofit, multi-state micro and small business lender that helps new and existing entrepreneurs successfully grow their businesses. Through affordable lending and business development services, LiftFund is committed to empowering diverse individuals and small businesses with limited access to traditional sources of capital. Since 1994, LiftFund has made more than 17,400 loans totaling over \$210 million. Based in San Antonio, it manages one of the nation's largest microloan portfolios and operates in thirteen states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas.

Financial and Social Impact

- Small business loans disbursed since 1994: over 17,400 totaling more than \$210 million
- Jobs created or retained in 2015: 5,530
- Clients served since 1994: 16,733
- Active Portfolio: \$38,300,184
- Number of Active Clients: 2,935
- Received fourth consecutive designation as a four-star nonprofit organization by Charity Navigator
- Loan range: \$500 up to \$1 million (Up to \$5.5 million in Texas through the SBA 504 program)

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Roxanna Collazo, Firefly Dual Language Academy, Houston, TX

Roxana's inspiration to be a teacher came from the emphasis her parents placed on education, but it was her desire to create a brighter future for students that led her to want to open her own dual language learning center. However, as a first time business owner, she quickly realized that she couldn't turn to traditional lending sources. LiftFund helped her realize her dream of owning a learning center by providing a U.S. SBA 7a Community Advantage Loan. "We want to give children a head start to their future by providing a dual language curriculum where they will learn how to read and write in both English and Spanish," said Roxana.

