



At the Lawyers Alliance Gala

A Busy Beginning This Fall

Dear Friends,

While summer months often seem slower, this summer and early autumn have been full of new initiatives, new clients, and some very gratifying recognition for BCNA.

We were particularly pleased to be honored for our work by one of our close partners, the Lawyers Alliance for New York. By generously recognizing us, they demonstrate their commitment to providing quality and pro-bono legal service to support economic justice.

We are also very pleased to announce that the CDFI Fund has approved BCNA for an award of \$700,000. This will allow us to increase access to credit to many more New Yorkers.

From co-sponsoring [Beyond Momos: Himalayan Food in Jackson Heights](#) with MOFAD, to meeting with the New York State CDFI Coalition; hosting a Social Media workshop for a delegation from the Tibetan Chamber of Commerce; supporting the Park Hill African Market on Staten Island; and holding several successful HomeFirst Down Payment Assistance Program Workshops, it's been a busy few months helping New Americans in the five boroughs on their way to financial security and success.

Finally, we are excited to share that we are starting the new fiscal year with several new staff members who will bring additional talent and energy to helping us fulfill our mission.

Here's to a productive and entrepreneurial fall!

Yanki Tshering

BCNA Receives a Generous Grant from the Department of the Treasury's 2016 CDFI Program Fund

We are very pleased to announce that BCNA has received an award of \$700,000 from the US Department of the Treasury's 2016 Community Development Financial Institutions Program Fund.

We will leverage this generous award to continue investing in businesses operated by low- and moderate-income business owners who serve diverse communities in New York City, thereby creating jobs, delivering critical services, and contributing to a vibrant and thriving local economy.

Read about it [here](#).



Congratulations to Our Future Home-Owners



Workshops are an important way we help our clients and the community! Congratulations to these 13 clients, who received certificates of accomplishment for completing our latest three-session HomeFirst Down Payment Assistance Program Workshop, led by Emily McIntosh of [NYC Housing Partnership](#).

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Highlighting Himalayan Restaurants in Queens



We were very pleased to partner with MOFAD - the Museum of Food and Drink- and the

Rubin Museum for a terrific panel and delicious tasting of Himalayan food in Queens.

Learn About Our New Quick-Action Short-Term Working Capital Loans

BCNA has introducing new Quick-Action Short-Term Working Capital Loans, which range from \$10k to \$50k and which are designed to provide timely, hassle-free access to credit for New York's small businesses.



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