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# 2018 Native CDFI Capital Access Convening

*Bringing Native CDFIs, Funders, and  
Investors Together to Bring Capital to  
Native Communities*





# Nitty Gritty of the Loan Loss Reserve

Pacific Grove, California



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# We'll Answer These 3 Questions about LLR:



1. What is it?
  2. How and when is it calculated?
  3. Why is it important – what are the real world impacts?
- And we'll debunk the 3 biggest myths about LLR!!!





# MYTH #1:

# ACCRUED LLR SHOULD EQUAL YOUR CASH LLR



## Accrued LLR



vs.

## Cash/Liquidity Reserve



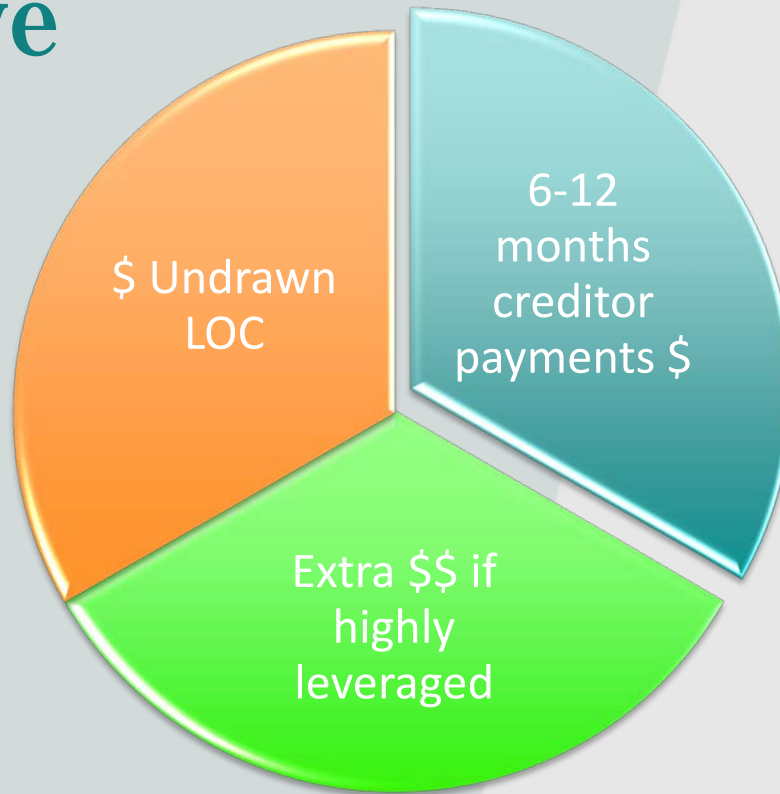
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- A valuation reserve maintained to cover losses that are probable and reasonably estimated on the date of the evaluation
- Shows the “true” value of the asset on the BS
- An accounting adjustment
- *Expected scenario*

- A cushion against possible future losses
- Cash in the bank
- *Worst case scenario*
- *So you can repay your funders*



# Determining Lending Cash Reserve



- At a minimum needs to meet funder covenants
- Does not include operating liquidity reserve





# Determining Accrued LLR

- Amount of loss *reasonably estimated*
- Risk rating - New vs. seasoned
- Individual loans vs. portfolio segments
- Consider credit protections (collateral, loan guarantees)





# Example LLR Allocation – Existing Loans



Risk Rating	Rating Criteria Consider Financial, Security, Environmental, Management, Risk Trends	LLR Allocation
<b>A</b> Strong	No late payments Consistent, growing profitability (DSCR) Credit score > 720	2%
<b>B</b> Sound	0-1 late payment in last 12 months Consistent profitability (DSCR) Credit score 675-720, or declining	5%
<b>C</b> Adequate	1-2 late payments in last 12 months Breaking even, inconsistent revenue (DSCR) Credit score 600-675, or declining	10%
<b>D</b> Sub-standard	3 late payments in last 12 months Unprofitable/declining revenue (DSCR) Credit score < 600, or declining	30%-50%
<b>F</b> Doubtful	4+ late payments in last 12 months Unprofitable, declining (DSCR) Credit score < 600, or declining	50%-100%

# Example LLR Calculation



Loan #	Loan Balance	Risk Rating	LLR %	LLR Amount
1	\$50,000	C	10%	\$5,000
2	\$100,000	B	5%	\$5,000
3	\$150,000	A	2%	\$3,000
4	<u>\$50,000</u>	D	40%	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total:	\$350,000		9.4%	\$33,000

➤ **When do you make adjustments?**



# Accrued LLR – Accounts Affected



## Balance Sheet October 31, 2017

Loans rec	350,000
LLR (contra)	<u>(33,000)</u>
Net loans rec	317,000
Other Assets	<u>50,000</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>367,000</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>200,000</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>167,000</b>

## Income Statement Jan-Oct 2017

<i>Total income</i>	150,000
Payroll	100,000
Interest expense	5,000
Provision for losses	<u>10,000</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>115,000</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>35,000</b>



# Example LLR Calculation



October 31, 2017				December 31, 2017		
Loan #	Loan Balance	Risk Rating /LLR %	LLR \$\$	Loan Balance	Risk Rating /LLR %	LLR \$\$
1	\$50,000	C/10%	\$5,000	\$50,000	F/100%	\$50,000
2	\$100,000	B/5%	\$5,000	\$98,000	B/5%	\$4,900
3	\$150,000	A/2%	\$3,000	\$140,000	A/2%	\$2,800
4	<u>\$50,000</u>	D/40%	<u>\$20,000</u>	\$40,000	D/30%	\$12,000
5				<u>\$200,000</u>	B/5%	<u>\$10,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>	<b>9.4%</b>	<b>\$33,000</b>	<b>\$528,000</b>	<b>15.1%</b>	<b>\$79,700</b>



# Accrued LLR – Making an Adjustment



## Balance Sheet October 31, 2017

Loans rec	350,000
LLR (contra)	<u>(33,000)</u>
Net loans rec	317,000
Other Assets	<u>50,000</u>
Total Assets	367,000
Total Liabilities	200,000
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>167,000</b>

## Balance Sheet December 31, 2017

Loans rec	528,000
LLR (contra)	<u>(79,700)</u>
Net loans rec	448,300
Other Assets	<u>50,000</u>
Total Assets	498,300
Total Liabilities	200,000
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>298,300</b>

➤ LLR grows by \$46,700; and...



# Accrued LLR – Adjustment



Income Stmt Jan 1-Oct 31, 2017	
Total income	150,000
Other expenses	105,000
Provision for losses	<u>10,000</u>
Total Expenses	115,000
Net Income	35,000

Income Stmt Jan 1-Dec 31, 2017	
Total income	150,000
Other expenses	105,000
Provision for losses	<u>56,700</u>
Total Expenses	161,700
Net Income	(11,700)

➤ Provision for loss *increases* by \$46,700



# What if there is a loss of \$50K?



## Balance Sheet December 31, 2016

Loans rec	528,000
LLR (contra)	<u>(79,700)</u>
Net loans rec	448,300
Other Assets	<u>50,000</u>
Total Assets	498,300
Total Liabilities	200,000
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>298,300</b>

## Balance Sheet January 1, 2017

Loans rec	478,000
LLR (contra)	<u>(29,700)</u>
Net loans rec	448,300
Other Assets	<u>50,000</u>
Total Assets	498,300
Total Liabilities	200,000
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>298,300</b>

➤ **L/R decreases by \$50K; LLR shrinks (increases) by \$50K**







# MYTH #2:

# OVER-RESERVING STRENGTHENS YOUR CDFI



# Determining LLR



- Ideally LLR will equal actual losses over time...you can be *slightly* more conservative

Year	Total (L/R)	L/R 90+ days	Delinq %	Actual loan losses	Loan loss %	\$ LLR	LLR %
2011	\$1,177,389	\$4,897	0.4%	\$4,429	0.4%	\$288,006	24.5%
2012	\$1,268,684	\$4,084	0.3%	\$6,848	0.5%	\$236,388	18.6%
2013	\$1,340,752	\$170,440	12.7%	\$19,561	1.5%	\$308,465	23.0%
2014	\$1,156,046	\$51,590	4.5%	\$9,296	0.8%	\$306,789	25.5%



# LLR Financial Impacts



- Total Assets
- Net Asset Ratio
- Net Income
- Self-sufficiency ratio
- Operating liquidity ratio





# MYTH #3:

# UNDER-RESERVING STRENGTHENS YOUR CDFI



# LLR Policy Should Include:



## How

- Initial risk rating is determined
- Adjustments to the rating are determined
- Loan loss provision amounts per risk rating

## Who

- Approves policy (BOD)
- Prepares risk ratings
- Approves LLR allocations
- Enters LLR allocations

## When

- Initial risk rating is determined (upon closing / disbursement)
- Adjustments are made (at least quarterly)
- Policy / rating system is reviewed (at least annually)



# Parting Thoughts



- Educate your Board and loan committee
- Set up a system that makes sense for your market and loan products
- Put it into written policy
- Make sure you are following your policy!
- Don't under or over reserve, be prudent
- Evaluate the system

