

**OIL REGION ALLIANCE OF BUSINESS, INDUSTRY & TOURISM**  
**VENANGO COUNTY REVOLVING LOAN FUND (VCRLF)**

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**PURPOSE:** The purpose and goal of the VCRLF is to stimulate business growth in the Venango County/Oil Region area, and to provide assistance to those businesses that are not otherwise served by existing business financing options. The revolving loan funds held by the ORA are economic development financing tools designed to stimulate new employment and entrepreneurial opportunities through low-interest loans to small business. The loans may be used for fixed asset purchases or working capital.

**LOAN LIMITS:** Maximum loan is \$50,000

**TERMS:** Building Purchase, Renovation or Construction – up to 10 years  
Machinery & Equipment – 5 – 7 years  
Working Capital – 2 - 3 years

**RATES:** 4%

**FEES\*:** \$100 - Non-refundable, advance application fee  
**If loan is approved, this \$100 counts toward applicant's private expense requirement.**

\*All legal and closing fees are the responsibility of the applicant and may be included in the loan amount.

**LOAN AMOUNTS:** Loan requests may not exceed 50 percent of the total project costs or \$50,000 whichever is less. Eligible project costs are those that involve a new capital outlay in support of the project. Net worth or existing assets are **not** eligible costs. Any form of public or private financing may be used in conjunction with proceeds from the Revolving Loan Program.

VCRLF funding cannot be more than 50% of the total project. At least 10% must be injected by applicant.

**ELIGIBLE**

**USES:** Funds are targeted to any private business with 50 or less employees and has less than \$1 million in projected gross revenues. The loans may be used for a variety of purposes including but not limited to the acquisition of land and buildings, new construction, rehabilitation, machinery and equipment and working capital. Loan proceeds may not be used to refinance existing debt.

**ELIGIBLE**

**APPLICANTS:** The ORA will provide an opportunity to participate in the Venango County Revolving Loan Fund to all eligible businesses located in the Venango County/Oil Region area.

**JOB CREATION /**

**RETENTION REQUIREMENTS:**

Applicants must commit to the creation or retention of one new job for every \$15,000 in loan proceeds request. All jobs must be created or retained within three years of the date of loan closing.

Applications which involve the retention of existing jobs must include evidence to support an imminent reduction in employment. Retention projects will be considered only when the applicant can provide evidence of financial stability.

**COLLATERAL:** Loans are to be secured by lien positions on collateral at the highest level of priority which can accommodate the borrower's ability to raise debt and equity capital. Personal and corporate guarantees may be required.

**APPLICATION  
REQUIREMENTS:**

Completion of a current Venango County Revolving Loan Fund Application.  
Time frames for completion will be no more than two years from loan closing and may be less, as determined by the loan review committee.  
Three prior years' financial statements and/or applicable Federal Tax Returns.  
A business plan, if applicable.  
Applicants must be members in good standing of the Oil Region Alliance.

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