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The Summit Federal Credit Union Expands Lending Portfolio to Include Business Lending and Real Estate Financing

October 15, 2026. Rochester, N.Y. – The Summit Federal Credit Union, announces the launch of its business lending program, building on its lending expertise and expanding the credit union’s financial solutions to help local businesses grow and thrive in Rochester, the Finger Lakes Region, Buffalo, and Syracuse.

The new program provides qualified business members with access to financing designed to meet a variety of business needs including working capital, equipment purchases, business expansion, commercial real estate, investment properties, refinancing, and other growth opportunities.

“Local businesses are the backbone of any community. We’re proud to support business owners who make our community stronger,” commented **Laurie Baker, The Summit’s President and CEO**. “Our business lending program combines competitive financing with the personal service that our members have come to expect from The Summit.”

The Summit is committed to building personal relationships with business owners and understanding their unique financial needs. This new lending program is designed to provide a straightforward, relationship-focused experience from application to closing.

The Business Lending program is spearheaded by **Nicolas Romano**, who has over 20 years of experience in working with small and mid-size businesses, helping them to achieve their financial goals.

The launch represents another step in The Summit's commitment to investing in the communities that it serves and providing members with a comprehensive range of financial services.

To learn more, visit summitfcu.org/business-loans/

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ABOUT THE SUMMIT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Founded in 1941, The Summit Federal Credit Union is a not-for-profit, member-owned, full-service financial cooperative. With over \$1.5 billion in assets, The Summit has over 260 employees and provides a full range of affordable financial products and services to over 99,000 members in Rochester, the Finger Lakes Region, and Buffalo and Syracuse.

The Summit is dedicated to the rich diversity of the communities that they serve. You will regularly see their staff out and about in the community supporting other not-for-profit organizations that share their mission and values.

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