

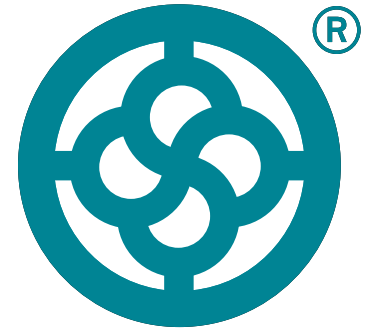
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The National Association of Women Business Owners—San Francisco Bay Area Chapter

Don't Miss Our May Meeting!

how to

Access Capital and Grow Your Business



THURSDAY

MAY 9

Networking 6-7pm

Dinner 7pm

Program 7:30-9pm



**The City Club of
San Francisco**

155 Sansome Street
10th Floor

(The Stock Exchange Tower)
San Francisco, CA 94104

Despite the fact that the number of majority-owned, privately-held women-owned businesses grew to 5.4 million – a 16% increase – from 1992 to 1997*, when it comes to financing that growth, women-owned businesses are lagging behind. They often have less access to bank credit and financing. In addition, although the number and dollar value of venture capital and other equity investments grew rapidly in the late 1990s, women business owners continue to get a very small share of those dollars. (In 2000, only 5% of the \$89.8 billion invested went to firms with women CEOs.)

Come join us for our May meeting featuring panelists that represent a variety of financing resources. They will describe what resources their organizations offer for financing, and how to qualify. It should be a lively, informative evening.

*Source: "The Compendium of National Statistics on U.S. Women-Owned Businesses in the U.S.", released by the National Women's Business Council in February.

**SEE NEXT PAGE FOR DETAILS ABOUT OUR GROUP
OF PANELISTS...**

How to Access Capital and Grow Your Business

PANELISTS

Katie Sennott

**Area Manager V.P. of California Business Banking Group
Wells Fargo**

Katie has worked for 13 years in commercial lending to mid-sized and small businesses. She manages a staff of Commercial Loan Officers at Wells Fargo who are responsible for the origination and underwriting of commercial loans and lines of credit for small businesses in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Elaine F.B. Leadlove-Plant

**Sr. V.P., Chief Credit Officer
Community Bank of the Bay**

Community Bank of the Bay is a community development bank serving target areas such as the low and moderate income neighborhoods of San Francisco and Oakland areas as Bayview-Hunters Point, the Mission, the Fillmore, Chinatown, and East Oakland. The Bank converts deposits into community development loans for affordable housing, small businesses and nonprofit organizations. Elaine began her banking career in 1969 as a clerk typist in the Credit Department of Security Pacific National Bank, and went on to obtain a law degree. Her banking experience has encompassed all aspects of the loan and credit functions including credit analysis, documentation, regulatory issues, personnel training and education and Community Reinvestment Act activities.

Sue Malone, Director

SBA Micro Loan Fund

The SBA MicroLoan Program provides small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. The program gives funds to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers. The intermediaries provide business based training and technical assistance to their microborrowers as well.

Gwendolyn Wright

**Mgr. Financing Resource Center
Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center**

The Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center has emerged as a model urban micro-enterprise-training program. The Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center provides technical assistance and referrals to the City's loan programs.

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