Update for the Bluegrass Community Bankers Association

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- Immediate Past Chair, ICBA

My Community Banking Story

My ICBA History

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ICBA RECOGNITION

ICBA Leadership Bankers

Your continued partnership and dedication to ICBA and community banking makes positive change possible.

ICBA Federal Delegate Board & Committee Members:

- **Billy Bingham**, United Southern Bank
- **Jason Jones**, Community Financial Services Bank
- **Jim DeCesare**, BCBA
- **Jill Gregory**, Franklin Bank & Trust
- **Edna Hughes**, Lewisburg Banking Company
- **J. Michael Radcliffe**, Community Financial Services Bank

State Association Board Leadership

- President – **Billy Bingham**, United Southern Bank
- Vice President – **Alex Downing**, Franklin Bank & Trust

What makes community banking so special

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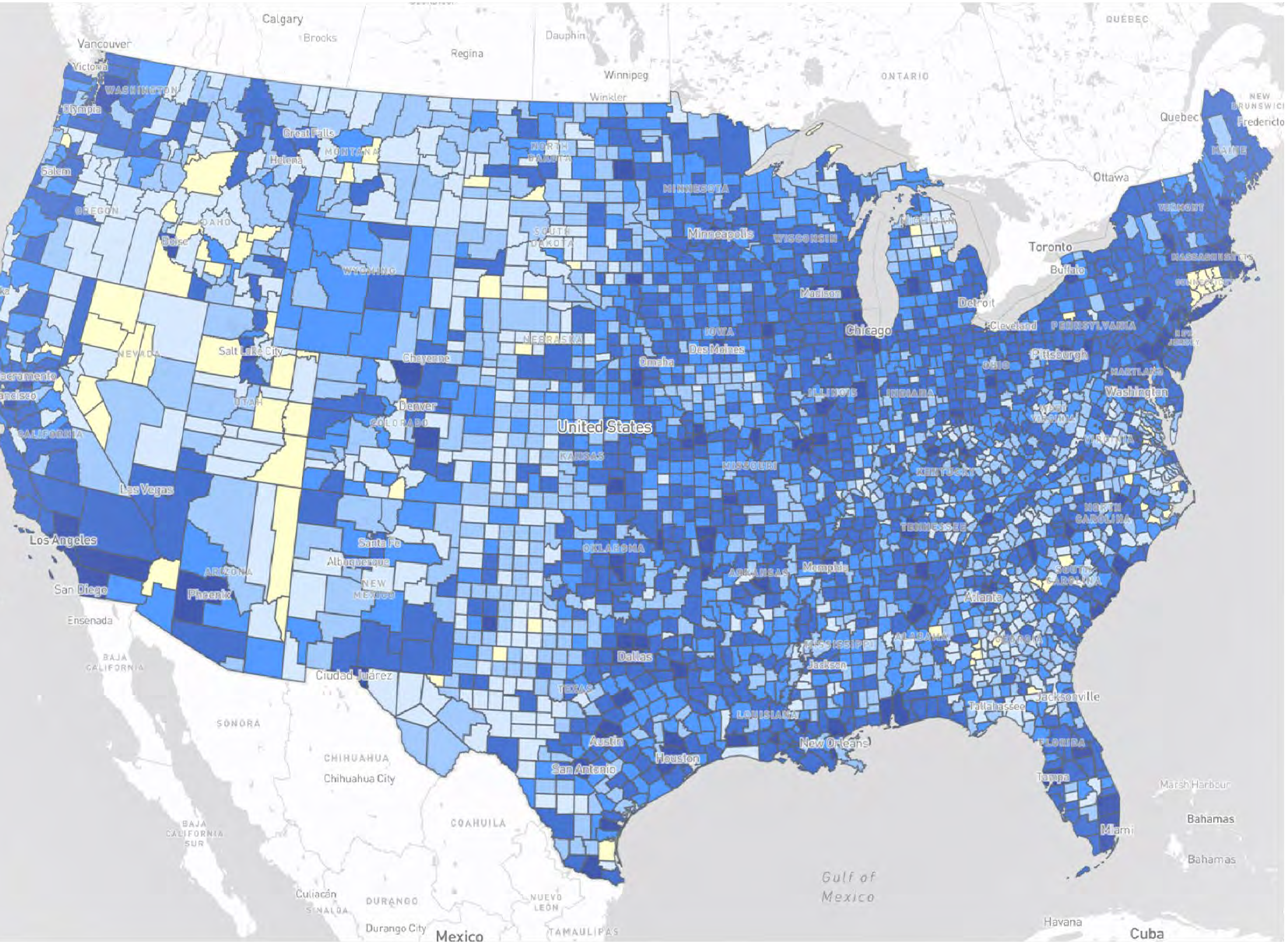
Community Bank Footprint

More than 1 in 3 U.S. counties would have no physical access to mainstream services without community banks.



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ICBA Mission:

To create and promote an environment where community banks flourish.

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ICBA OVERVIEW

Powering Potential

ICBA Advocacy

Translating community banking priorities into legislative and regulatory action.

ICBA Education

Providing growth and learning opportunities through practical, engaging content.

ICBA Innovation

Creating solutions to directly benefit community banks.

Learn more: icba.org/about

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ICBA OVERVIEW

Pillars Tackle AI Readiness

Early engagement and a deliberate approach to governance & partnerships is helping banks compete in an increasingly AI-driven landscape

ICBA Advocacy

AI Task Force & Advisory Group

ICBA Education

AI Security Readiness Guide

ICBA Innovation

ICBA ThinkTech Accelerator

ICBA ADVOCACY

Washington **must avoid** policies that impose regulatory burdens on community banks or create unnecessary added expenses—actions that hamper access to credit in local communities.

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Pro-Community Bank Policies

- Address regulatory burden and update thresholds
- Repeal intrusive 1071 data collection mandates
- Ensure stablecoin legislation protects against community bank disintermediation
- Promote de novo community bank formation
- Eliminate tax subsidies for $1B+ credit unions
- Preserve and enhance a competitive tax environment

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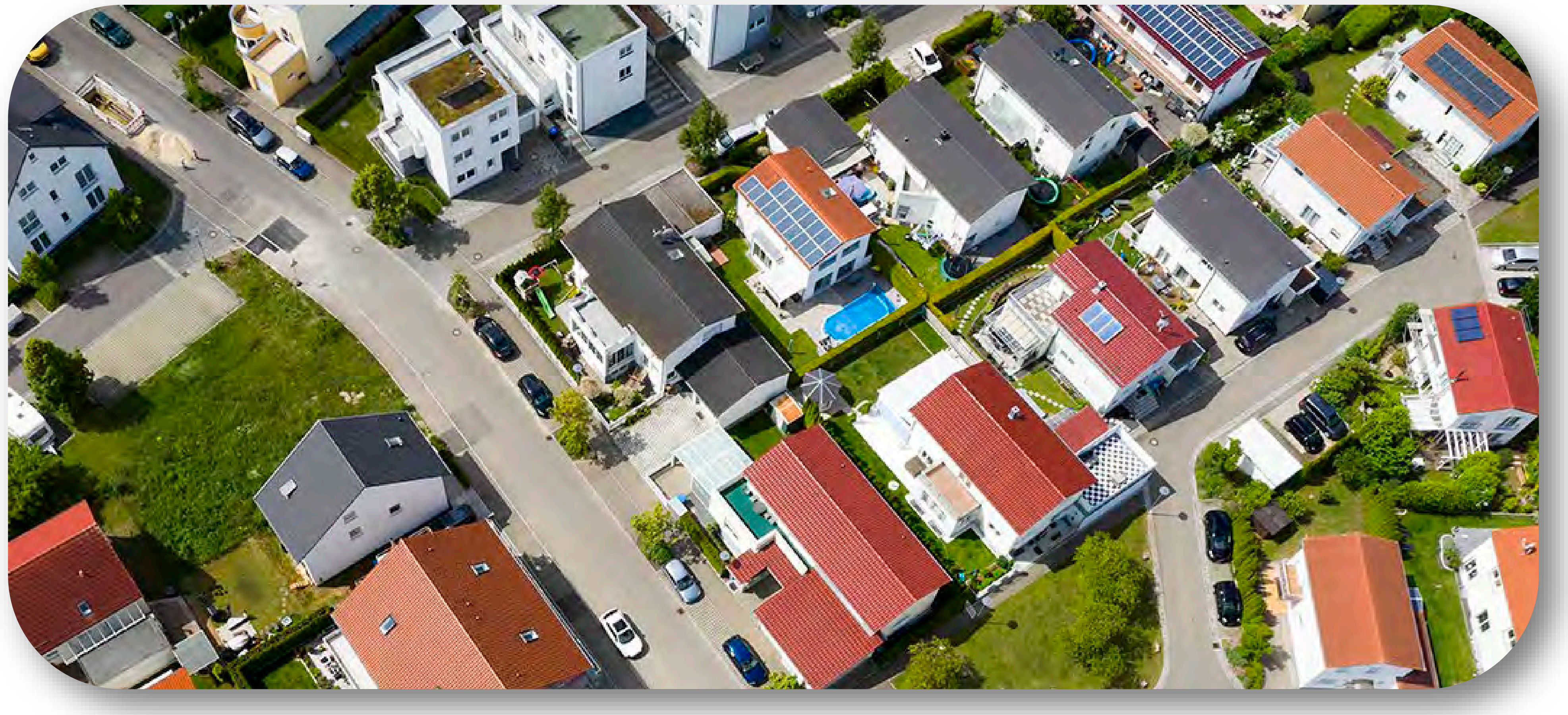
Seven ICBA-Backed Regulatory Relief Provisions Become Law

The final 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act contains key community bank regulatory reforms. Bills in the package include legislation to:

- Allow community banks to hold custodial deposits and more reciprocal deposits without being considered brokered deposits.
- Provide an 18-month exam cycle and other exam relief for banks with up to $6 billion in assets.
- Promote the formation of de novo community banks by streamlining the application process.
- Create a two-year pilot program to promote the creation of de novo banks, especially in rural areas, by providing more regulatory, capital, and lending flexibility.



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Section 1071

- **Final rule adds exemptions:** Many community banks excluded.
- **Legislation advancing**: Bills are moving to expand exemptions or repeal the rule altogether.
- **ICBA continues to oppose** the rule's burden and advocate for broader exemptions and repeal.

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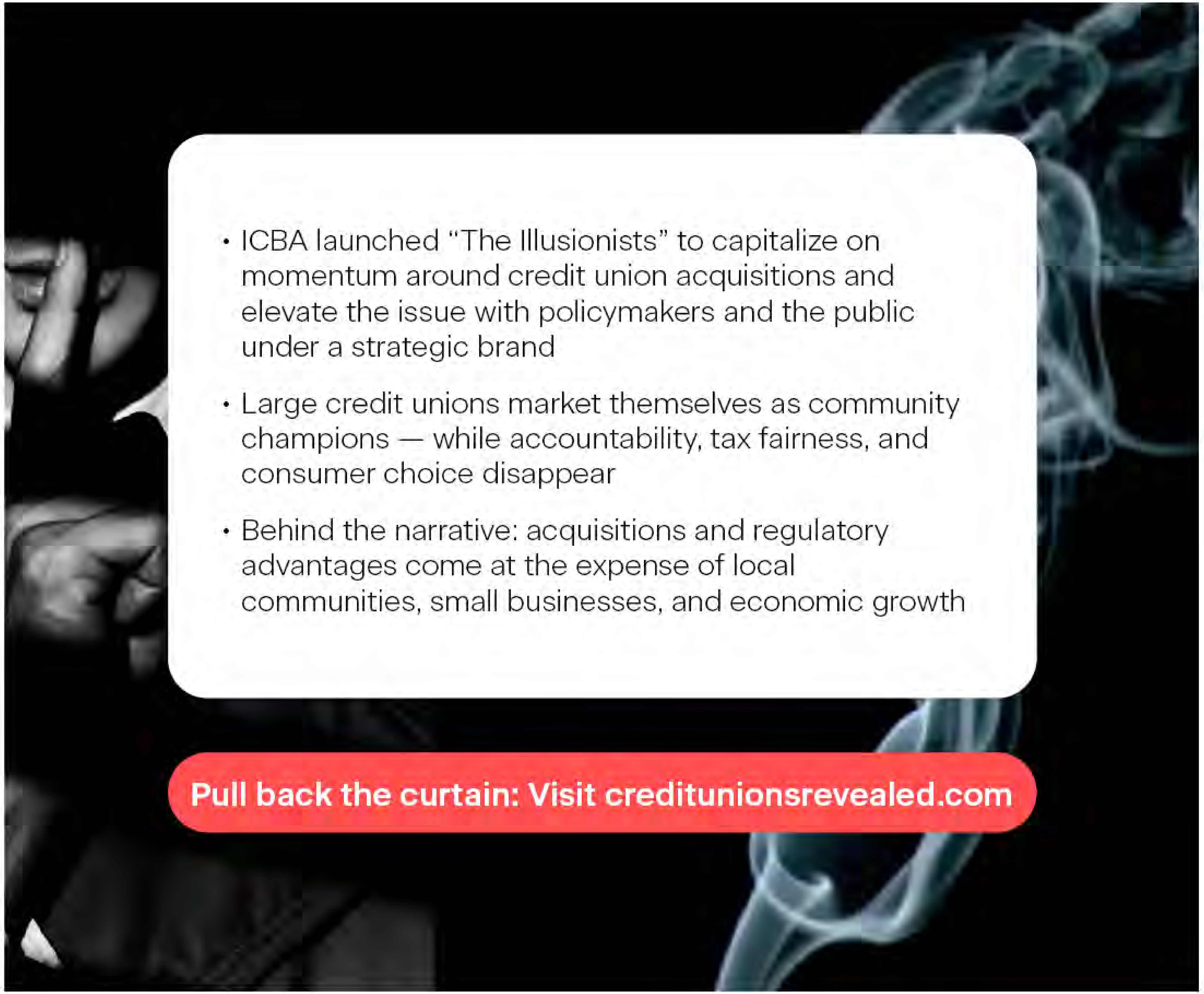
Unmasking Credit Union Misdirection



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Credit Union Tax Status

Congress must examine the outdated tax code that enables credit unions with **over $1 billion in assets** to exploit their tax-exempt status at the expense of community banks and the local communities they serve.

Kentucky

2025

Large Credit Union Taxes Avoided:

$30,010,066

In Kentucky, these tax dollars could fund the annual cost of:

- **2,056** K-12 students
- **733** firefighter salaries

United States

2025

Large Credit Union Taxes Avoided:

$3,379,716,559

Nationwide, these tax dollars could fund the annual cost of:

- **204,509** K-12 students
- **53,879** firefighter salaries

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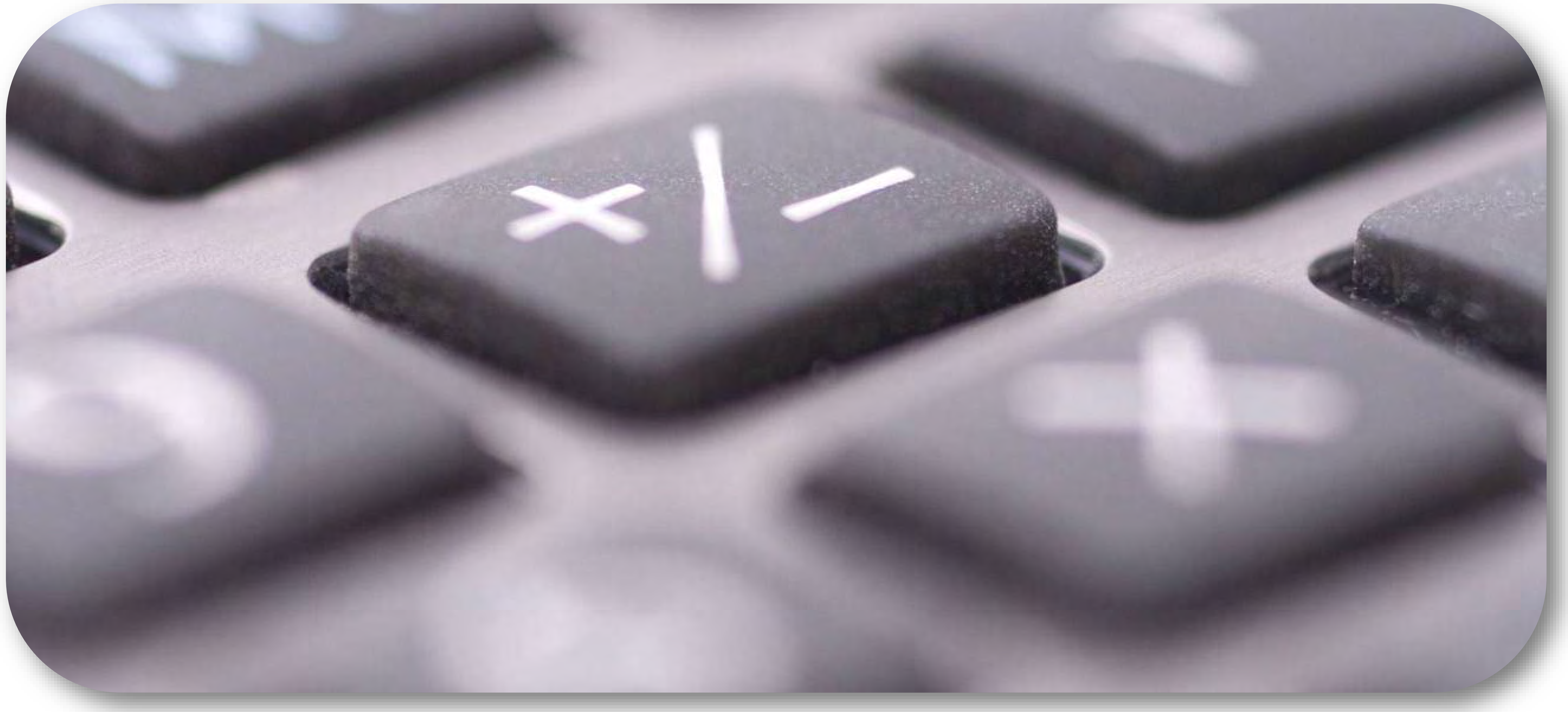
Action on Check Fraud

60+ community banks serve on ICBA's Fraud and Scams Task Force and ICBA's Community Fraud Group works with key stakeholders to combat check fraud. ICBA also:

- Supported the administration's efforts to curtail the use of paper checks to mitigate check fraud.
- Partnered with the U.S. Postal Inspection Service to offer fraud prevention tips for consumers.
- Hosts a dedicated subgroup on ICBA Community for 1,551 community bankers.



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Triple Threat: Stablecoin Yield, Fed Access, and Trust Charters

- Three policy shifts—stablecoins, Fed master accounts, and national trust charters—create a combined “triple threat” to our industry.
- Together, they allow non-bank firms to pull deposits and payments activity outside the regulated banking system, draining the funding base that supports local lending.
- Policymakers must consider and address this collective threat to balance the scales and avoid a flight of deposits and irreparable harm to our trusted financial system.

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MAIN STREET OVER CRYPTO

Stablecoin growth could put small business credit at risk.

If deposits leave community banks, the lending small businesses rely on could shrink with them.

KENTUCKY (KY)

81,090

JOBS SUPPORTED BY AFFECTED SMALL BUSINESSES

SMALL BUSINESSES THAT COULD LOSE CREDIT	7,509
SHARE OF SMALL BUSINESSES AT RISK	11.4%
SMALL BUSINESS LENDING CAPACITY AT RISK	$3.6B

Back to U.S.

Stablecoin growth could harm the credit that supports 81,090 jobs in Kentucky.

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Crypto Contrast Campaign

AMERICAN BANKER

Q&A:
Why the ICBA is taking a more aggressive stance on crypto

POLITICO Influence

ICBA TARGETS CRYPTO:
The Independent Community Bankers of America is rolling out a six-figure ad buy … contrasting regulated community banks with crypto conglomerates.

The Guardian

'Crypto v community':
4,000 local US lenders join forces to fight 'stablecoins' law

Join the Campaign at mainstreetovercrypto.com

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Advocacy in Action

Kentucky community bankers sent 1,698 grassroots letters to protect and promote community banking, fueling a nationwide effort of 78,000+ since the 118th Congress began.

ICBA's Action Center

Share how an issue or policy affects your community or our industry.

Policymakers want to hear from you!

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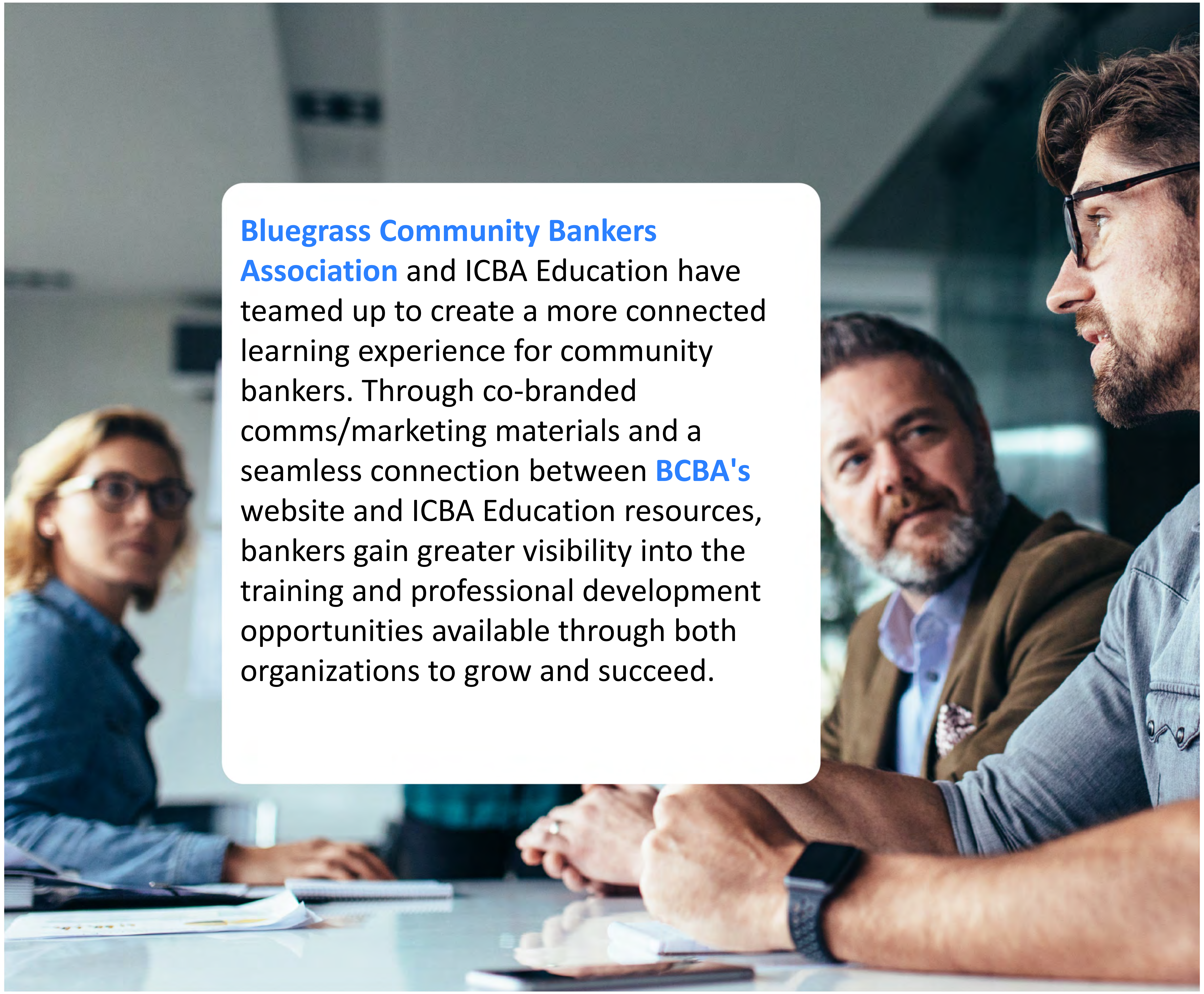

Bluegrass Community Bankers Association and ICBA Education have teamed up to create a more connected learning experience for community bankers. Through co-branded comms/marketing materials and a seamless connection between **BCBA's** website and ICBA Education resources, bankers gain greater visibility into the training and professional development opportunities available through both organizations to grow and succeed.

ICBA EDUCATION

ICBA Certification Programs

ICBA Education offers eleven nationally recognized certification programs, requiring the user to follow specific processes and procedures before a certification is granted.

Auditing
Certified Community Bank Internal Auditor (CCBIA)

Bank Security
Certified Community Bank Security Officer (CCBSO)

BSA/AML
Certified BSA/AML Professional (CBAP)

Commercial Lending
Certified Commercial Lending Officer (CCLO)

Compliance
Certified Community Bank Compliance Officer (CCBCO)

Consumer Lending
Certified Community Bank Consumer Lender (CCBCL)

Credit Analysis
Certified Community Bank Credit Analyst (CCBCA)

Data Analytics
Certified Community Bank Data Analyst (CCBDA)

Information Technology
Certified Community Bank Technology Officer (CCBTO)

Enterprise Risk Management
Certified Community Bank Risk Specialist (CCBRS)

Marketing
Certified Community Bank Marketing Strategist (CCBMS)

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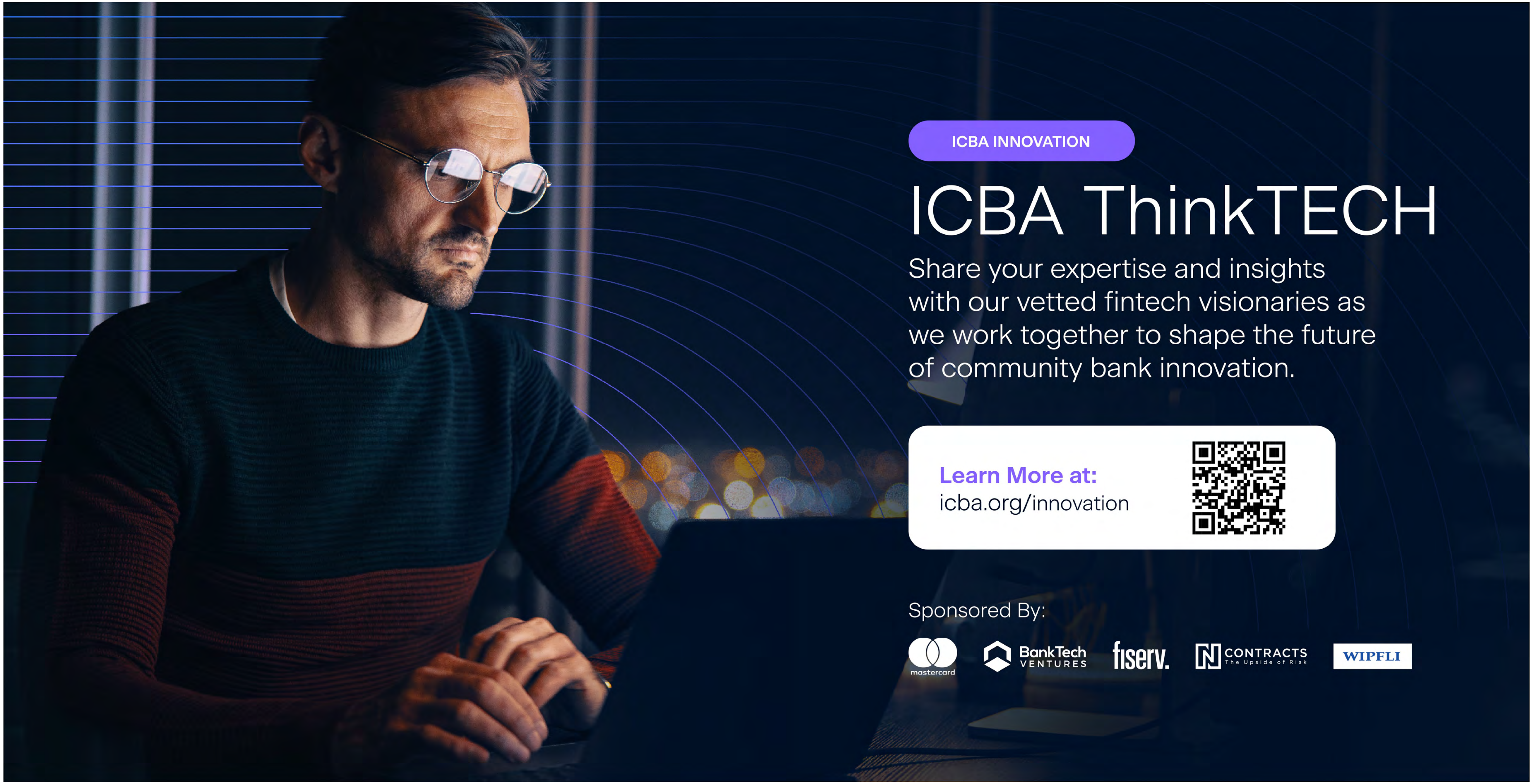
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ICBA ThinkTECH
Share your expertise and insights with our vetted fintech visionaries as we work together to shape the future of community bank innovation.
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CONTRACTS The Upside of Risk
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ICBA INNOVATION

Solutions for a Better Community Banking Future

ICBA Payments

TCM Bank
POWERED BY ICBA

ICBA Securities

ICBA CRA Solutions

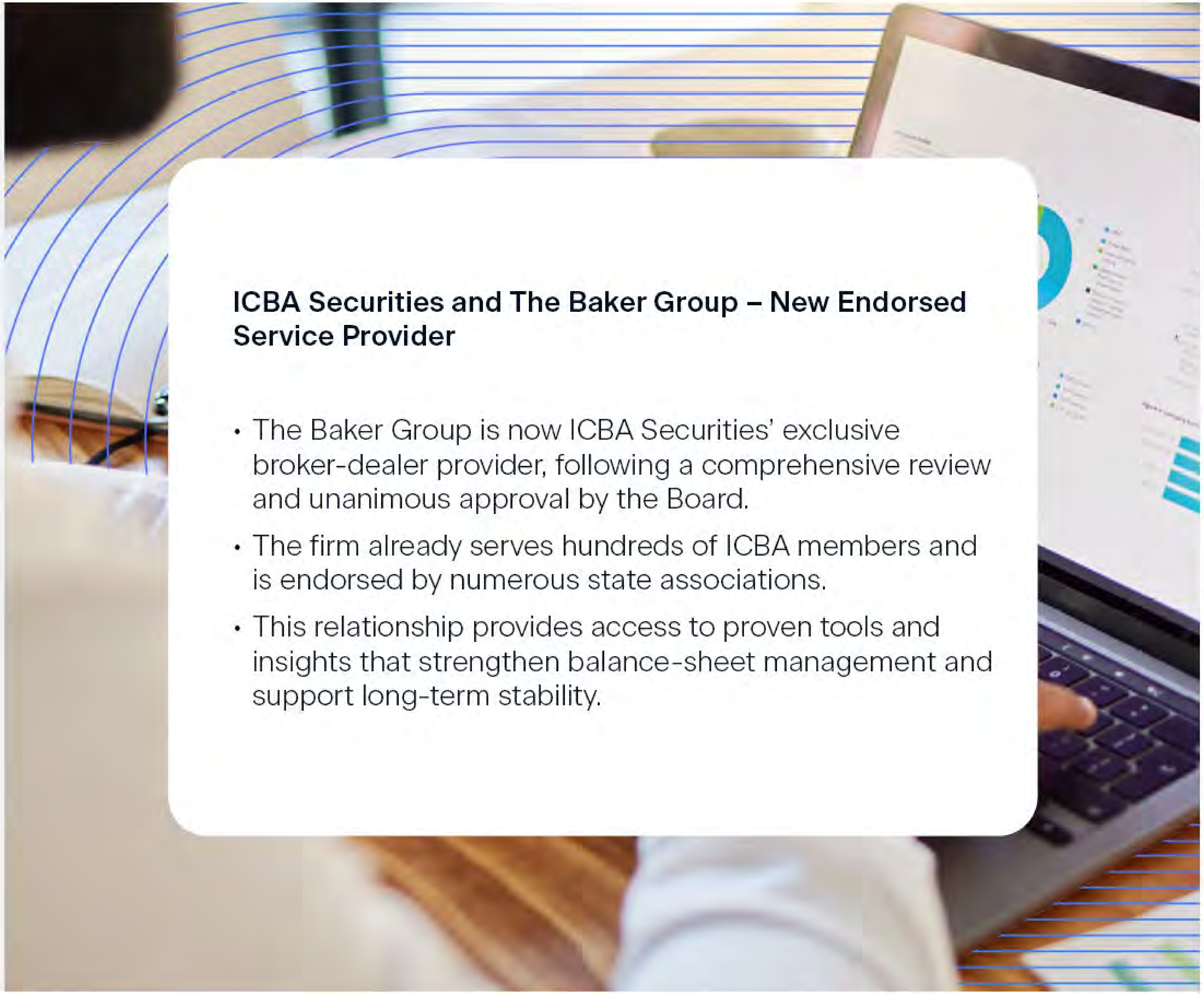
ICBA Solutions Directory

Find product and solution providers for your community bank.

ICBA Preferred Solution Providers

Best-in-class service providers dedicated to the community banking industry.

New ICBA Relationship with The Baker Group



ICBA Securities and The Baker Group – New Endorsed Service Provider

- The Baker Group is now ICBA Securities' exclusive broker-dealer provider, following a comprehensive review and unanimous approval by the Board.
- The firm already serves hundreds of ICBA members and is endorsed by numerous state associations.
- This relationship provides access to proven tools and insights that strengthen balance-sheet management and support long-term stability.

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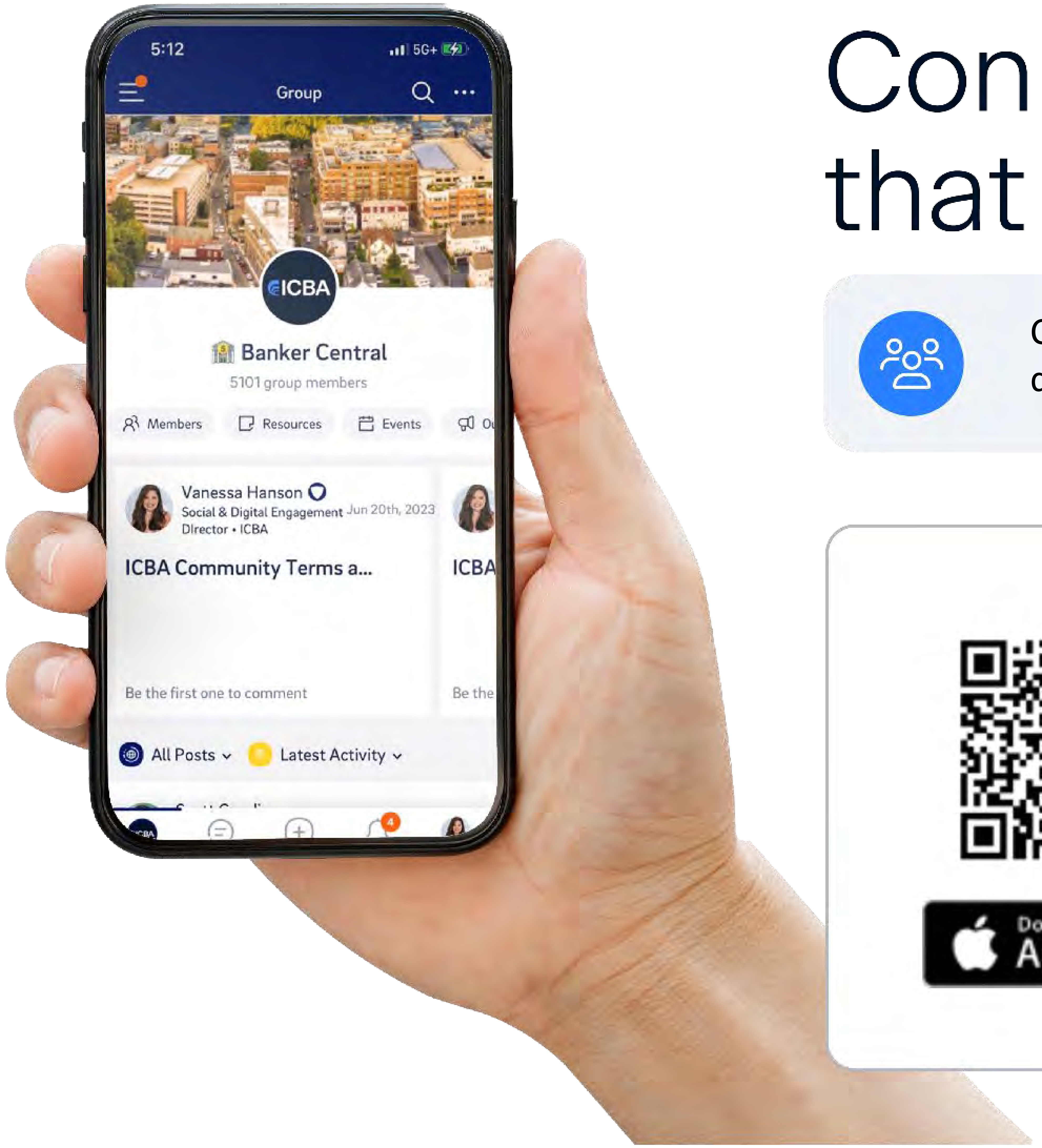

ICBA COMMUNITY

Connect and Discuss Issues that Mean the Most to You

Convene with **159** peers from **Kentucky**, joining 8,000+ across the country, to discuss industry news, best practices, and policy issues.

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Download and join the conversation today! →

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40 UNDER 40 ICBA

2026 Community Bank Leaders

ICBA's award-winning magazine, Independent Banker, announced its annual 40 Under 40: Community Bank Leaders, including:

- **David Greenwell**, CEO, Town & Country Bank and Trust Co.

Forward-thinking bankers exemplify the values that make community banking special.

Congrats!

ICBA EVENTS

Putting the Community in Community Banking

MAR 1–4, 2027

ICBA LIVE

FONTAINEBLEAU LAS VEGAS

The largest gathering of community bankers—built for learning, driven by connection.

APR 26–29, 2027

Capital Summit

Washington, D.C.

Make your voices heard in our nation's capital.

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF Bluegrass Community Bankers Association $ 59,908

Fifty-nine thousand nine hundred and eight DOLLARS

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Strategic Investment Fund Support