

Dear Friends and Supporters of the Capital Good Fund,

This month has been incredibly productive and exciting. With new staff members joining the team, CGF is stronger than ever. We have exciting new loan developments, as well as two borrowers who have become US citizens. We anticipate the month ahead to be one of hard work but also great success. Read on for more of CGF's news, and don't forget to visit our website at

www.capitalgoodfund.org!

Best Regards,

The Staff at Capital Good Fund

Exciting News:

- Eva, our first borrower, recently was sworn in as a US Citizen!
- Our second citizenship borrower, Yimber, just passed his citizenship exam. He will be sworn in next month.
- CGF recognized by mayor of Providence



Executive Director Andy Posner with our first official client, Eva Jimenez, after getting sworn in as a US citizen.

Borrowers Becoming Citizens!

On Thursday, September 17 Eva, our first citizenship borrower, officially became a United States citizen during a moving swearing in ceremony at the [International Institute of Rhode Island \(IIRI\)](#). CGF's loan of \$875 covered Eva's cost of applying for citizenship, as well as what the IIRI charges for legal representation and citizenship classes throughout the process. This special day—which was special for Eva, CGF and the 24 other immigrants who finally became naturalized citizens—was made even more special by the fact that it was also citizen and constitution day, a fact whose significance was not lost on the speakers and members of the audience. After taking an oath of allegiance to the United States, the new citizens received certificates and celebrated their new status!

In addition, CGF's second citizenship borrower, Yimber, recently passed his citizenship examination. Yimber will be sworn in as a U.S. citizen next month. Stay tuned for additional exciting news about our borrowers!

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www.capitalgoodfund.org

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Big Plans for October

The new quarter is in full swing and October should see us issue a number of business and citizenship loans. In fact, our first business loan committee meeting will take place on October 8th. In addition, we are finalizing details of our innovative new green business training workshop to be launched in late October. The 5-part workshop is designed for low-income entrepreneurs that want to learn essential business skills such as profit, cost-benefit analysis and pricing, before applying for a loan; what makes our curriculum unique is that it teaches these skills in the context of green business products, services and practices! Stay tuned for a full report on our new loans and our first workshop!

CGF Recognized By Mayor

David Cicilline, Mayor of Providence, [recently wrote](#), in the on-line magazine Social Enterprise, that the city is fast becoming a 'hot bed for young social entrepreneurs' and that social enterprise is a 'key ingredient to our future success', highlighting the Capital Good Fund as an example of this burgeoning sector. Mayor Cicilline points out that his administration will be 'paying particular attention to the need of social enterprises and how municipal government can play a role in helping them achieve their goals.' Nurturing social enterprise, small businesses, and nonprofits is a critical component to the city's economic future, an idea captured by its recent [rebranding](#) as the The Creative Capital.