# Cooperative Fund of New England

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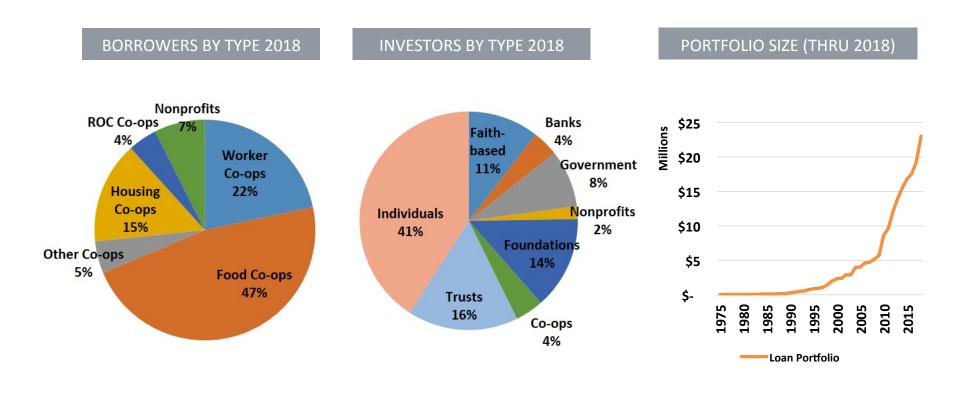
We work for economic, social, and racial justice by advancing community based, cooperative, and democratically owned or managed enterprises with a preference to assisting cooperatives in low-income communities by:

- Providing financial products at reasonable rates
- Developing business skills
- Offering an investment opportunity that promotes socially conscious enterprise



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#### Conversions Are Good Business

#### 15 Co-op Conversions Financed since 2012

- 9 Business Acquisition loans, 12 working capital lines
- \$4.4M in Loan Approvals
- \$2.6M in Loans Receivables
- 52% of worker co-op portfolio, 11% of total portfolio
- Of the 15 borrowers:
  - 9 are consistently profitable
  - 3 have small losses that we expect will be addressed
  - 2 has more significant losses that we are watching
  - 1 closed, and we were fully repaid
  - Average reserve on this subportfolio: 2.5% (vs. 3.5% CFNE-wide)
- Pipeline: 12 Businesses (9 active)



Ewing Controls converted 2017

### Conversion Financing Sources



The New School of Montpelier converted 2015

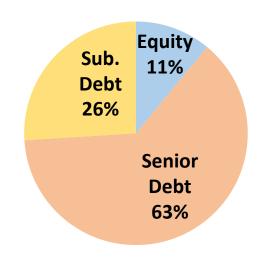
	Members	Non-Members
Equity	Voting Shares	Preferred Shares Contributions & Grants
Debt	Member Loans	Bank Debt (inc. NCB) CDFI Debt (inc. CFNE) Seller Financing Community Loans

# A Yard & A Half Landscaping Co-op



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Equity		
Owners Equity	\$62,000	
Contributions	\$5,000	
Debt		
CFNE (Senior)	\$400,000	
Seller Loan (Sub.)	\$77,000	
Friends/Family (Sub.)	\$91,000	
Total Sources	\$635,000	
Business Purchase	\$450,000	
Working Capital	\$185,000	
Total Uses	\$635,000	

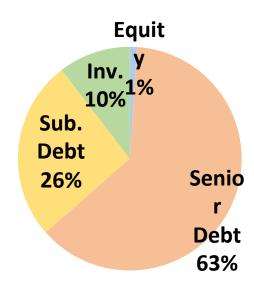


# Island Employee Cooperative



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Debt	
Bank (Senior)	\$1,800,000
CEI (Senior)	\$1,000,000
CFNE (Senior)	\$800,000
Seller (Sub.)	\$1,500,000
AGNE	\$500,000
<b>Total Sources</b>	\$5,600,000
Purchase of Business	\$4,250,000
Inventory	\$930,000
Working Capital	\$175,000
Closing Costs	\$130,000
Technical Assistance	\$115,000
Total Uses	\$5,600,000



## Underwriting Worker Co-ops



Real Pickles converted 2013

<b>Sole Proprietorship</b>		Cooperatives	
•	Credit Scores	•	Management & Governance Experience
		•	Sufficient Support Resources
		•	Relationship Building
•	Personal	•	Business Assets
	Guarantees	•	Identify Other Capital Sources
		•	Use Collateral Support Fund

# Partnerships

	Developers	Lenders
Why	Promotion (media, public speaking)	Co-lending or Participating for:
	Pipeline Development	Risk Mitigation
	Technical Assistance	Full Capitalization
		<ul> <li>Local Relationships</li> </ul>
		Diverse Capital
Who	Cooperative Development Institute	Coastal Enterprises Inc.
	ICA Group	MaineStream Finance
	Valley Alliance of Worker Co-ops	National Cooperative Bank
	Vermont Employee Ownership     Center	PVGrows
		VT Employee Ownership Center