



#### **FDIC**

Alliance for Economic Inclusion Cambio de Colores Conference

April 3, 2007 Kansas City, MO with the Iowa Bankers Association and the Missouri Bankers Association



## Alliance for Economic Inclusion Past and Future

- To bring financial education and affordable financial services to unbanked immigrants
- 2001-2004
  - Banking immigrants seminars at New Iowan Centers (with Iowa Bankers Association)
    Meatpacking plants in Emporia and Garden City, Kansas
    Banking fairs in Kansas City, Omaha, Wichita
    Outreach at request of Kansas Bankers Association

- 2005-2006

  □ New Americans Task Force kickoff with Iowa Bankers Association
  □ Formation of three committees
- 2007 and Future
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- accounts
  Focus on free tax preparation for low income families
  Two committees: meet in Kansas City but open to all
  AEI conferences in Minneapolis (May) and St. Louis (April)



# KC Region Cumulative Results

- Spanish Money Smart: 3,500 participants
- Bank accounts: 25,884/\$6.7 million in deposits
- Remittances:
  - 15 banks have affordable remittance products
  - 2,834 transactions, \$1.9 million transmitted
- Mortgage/consumer loans
  - 11 banks offer targeted mortgage programs
  - 520 loans, \$24 million originated



#### Alliance for Economic Inclusion

- Build on NATF coalition efforts
- FDIC's new national initiative to establish broad-based coalitions of financial institutions, community-based organizations and other partners in eight cities across the country
- Enhance the economic well-being of low- and moderate-income individuals and families, including the unbanked and underserved, by improving access to the U.S. banking system; and
- Work with financial institutions and other partners on ways to bring those currently unbanked and underserved into the financial mainstream through innovative low-cost products and services and expanded financial education efforts, including unbanked immigrants



## Alliance for Economic Inclusion

- Focus is also on helping low & moderate income families find alternatives to predatory lending
- Financial education and financial services committees
- Committee meetings in Kansas City every 3-4 months



## Size of Unbanked/ Underbanked Market

- As many as 39 million people are unbanked
- Approximately 44.7 million people are underbanked – 19.4% of all households
- The combined un- and underbanked populations may be 40 million households and \$1.1 trillion in income

Source: BearingPoint and Center for Financial Services Innovation



#### Unbanked Families by Race & Ethnicity

U.S. Born	Immigrant		nt
	%		%
White	14	Mexican	53
Black	46	Other Latin Am	37
Hispanic	34	Asian	20
		European	17

Source: 2000 Survey of Income Program Participation, Rhine and Greene, "The Determinants of Being Unbanked for U.S. Immigrants," The Journal of Consume Affairs, Vol. 40(1), Summer, 2006.



# Meetings & Conferences

- Kansas City Financial Services & Financial Education Meetings – March 27 & 28
- Kansas City AEI Conference -June 14<sup>th</sup>
- Conferences in St. Louis & Minneapolis



# KC Region Goals Alliance for Economic Inclusion

- 5,000 bank accounts per year
- 10,000 attending Money Smart classes per year
- 5 new banks offering small dollar loans and Directo a Mexico or other new remittance products
- 5 new banks offering IDAs or other special savings accounts
- 4,000 low income families filing tax returns
- \$4 million in refunds
- Promote employer based and bank in school programs
- Add new, committted members



# Why Should You Join the Alliance for Economic Inclusion?

- Gain new customers
- Get free guidance from FDIC and group members
- Receive free monthly list serv with events & latest research
- Meet other bankers and community groups
- Receive invitation to FDIC AEI events
- Opportunity to be included in media coverage
- CRA credit
- Find out about FDIC student internships



# FDIC Student Internships

- Student internships
- Corporate Employee Program
- Honors Attorney
- http://www.fdic.gov/about/jobs/index.html

#### Recruitment Events

Lincoln University, Career Fair, Jefferson City, MO (4.17.07)



## Two Versions: Instructor-Led & Self-Paced





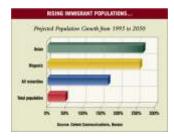


## Train-the-Trainer

- Train-the-Trainer Video for potential Money Smart instructors
  - About half an hour overview of teaching Money Smart
  - English and Spanish
  - Viewable online or order in VHS/DVD format
- Train-the-Trainer workshops



# Immigrant Population Growth





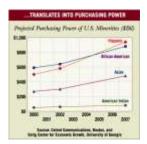


- On average, 25% of Hispanics in high growth areas tend to be recent immigrants
- •50% tend to speak Spanish only, 38% are bilingual
- In these areas, deposits have increased 53% on average nationwide (FDIC Outlook, Winter 2004)



#### Hispanic Purchasing Power

In 2007, Latinos nationwide held \$700 billion in purchasing power





## Growth in Bank Accounts

- Between 2002 and 2007, the number of Hispanic households with
  - checking accounts will increase by 57%
  - savings accounts will grow by 76%
  - using investment products will grow by 94% (*American Banker*, 2003)



#### Growth in Bank Accounts

Recent surveys say that up to 60% of Latinos and 54% of Mexican immigrants (5 million) are unbanked

The more recent the immigrant, the less chance they are banked



#### Growth in Bank Accounts

- FDIC has facilitated banking fairs in different locations
- Banking fairs: 103 accounts were opened at El Centro, Inc; 130 accounts were opened at the Muscatine, Iowa New Iowan Center
- Mexican immigrants open accounts with an average of \$2,000 to 3,000



#### Alternate Forms of Identification Matrícula Consular





#### Alternate Forms of Identification Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers





## Alternate Forms of Identification

- Issued by the Internal Revenue Service since 1996
- Banks can apply to the IRS to become
   Certified Acceptance Agents with form 13551
- Valid for 4 years
- Banks have the background check waived
- Section 326 of the PATRIOT Act mentions ITINs



## Alternate Forms of Identification

Part 326 of the Patriot Act does not discourage banks' use of the matricula card or ITINs

Other alternate identification forms:

- Mexican voter registration card
- Passports
- Matricula card from other countries



#### Remittances

- \$22 billion sent to Mexico in 2006
- Banks can get CRA credit for offering low cost remittances
- Directo a Mexico



#### Remittances

- 70% of Latinos send money home; 75% of Mexican remitters are unbanked
- Remittances are often the first priority item on immigrants' budgets
- Immigrants send money home about 10 times a year in amounts from \$200 \$300



#### Asset Building Products

- Individual Development Accounts
  - Homeownership –UMB Bank & El Centro
  - The Family Conservancy
- Remittances
  - Directo a Mexico Federal Reserve Bank Can open an account in Mexico
- Small Dollar Loans
  - Credit Builder (and Saver) Central Bank of Kansas City
  - Citizenship Loans
  - Consumer Loans First National Bank of Olathe
  - Micro Loans Go Connection
  - Car Loan The Family Conservancy Ways to Work Program



# Marketing Financial Services

- Do your homework...obtain information on your prospective clientele
- Host a focus group of community leaders
- Team up with community group/faith based organization (training, bring customers to you)
- Work with the New Iowan Centers, Nebraska Appleseed and consulates



### Marketing Financial Services

- Go to community meetings, ethnic festivals, banking fairs
- Offer financial education classes with a nonprofit
- Recognize that there are different groups within the Latino market
- Employ bilingual staff from the community...start with platform personnel



## Marketing Financial Services

- Train/sensitize your staff to serving needs of immigrant customers (new IDs accepted, etc.)
- Staff may have to do more explaining than usual (be visual, show VISA ATM card which is a symbol of status sometimes)
- Be careful about translations
- Consider paying tellers/account reps extra to translate for loan officers



## Marketing Financial Services

- Make your branches appealing to your clientele
- House Hispanic serving nonprofits
- Immigrants prefer personal touch: high tech, electronic features may not appeal to them
- Many immigrants want to become entrepreneurs



# Marketing Financial Services

- Design products that your customers want (remittances, tanda accounts)
- Offer CD secured loans to establish credit
- Offer package deals
- Consider alternate underwriting guidelines



## Marketing Financial Services

- Market on radio/newspapers (word of mouth crucial)
- Work with high school with high number of bilingual kids Open branch in high school with students as staff
- Hire bilingual high school kids and give scholarships to local college
- If you offer gifts, consider calling cards, gas cards, etc.



## Marketing Financial Services

- Open accounts at employer sites, construction sites, tea parties
- Offer play area, coffee, babysitting during account opening/mortgage closing
- Let customers write checks in Spanish
- Provide coloring books and school supplies with bank's name to Hispanic nonprofit



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