## Lending Though All Economic Cycles

Utilizing practical tools to build lasting relationships



## **Economic Cycle**





## **Common Phases of The Economic Cycle**









	<b>Expansion</b>	Peak	Slowdown	Recession
Economy	Accelerating	Strong	Losing Steam	Struggling
Unemployment	Decreasing	Lowest	Increasing	Highest
Spending	Increasing	Highest	Decreasing	Lowest
Inflation	Slowly Increasing	Increasing	Starts Decreasing	Decreasing



## The Economic Cycle & Banking









	<b>Expansion</b>	Peak	Slowdown	Recession	
Economy	Accelerating	Strong	Losing Steam	Struggling	
Fed	<b>Shifting Narrative</b>	Tightening	Accommodative	Kitchen Sink	
Yield Curve	Narrowing	Flat/Inverted	Steepening	Steep	
10YR Treasury	Hits Peak	Trending Lower	Falling	Volatile	
<b>Loan Demand</b>	Growing	Utopian	Softening	Weak	
Liquidity	Sweet Spot	Very Tight	Building	Excessive	
<b>Credit Standards</b>	Expanding	Flexible	Tightening	Strict	



## **40-Years of Rates and Last Four Recessions**





# Lending During a Recession

At a time when our customers generally need us most, we are often the least accommodating

• Credit Standards Tighten

Credit <u>Spreads Widen</u>

Relationships Are Tested

Flexibility Fades





Make	great loans at fair rates
Generate	Deposits
Build	relationships
Book	fee income
Remove	interest rate risk
Close	more loans





Receive	great financing at competitive rates
Stabilize	cash flow
Have	options that fit their needs
Minimize	fees
Maintain	flexibility
Obtain	additional financing as needed



## **A Few Challenges**



Deliver a fixed rate while removing interest rate risk



Generate fee income while trying to keep costs low to our borrower



Deliver a solution that provides flexibility through all cycles

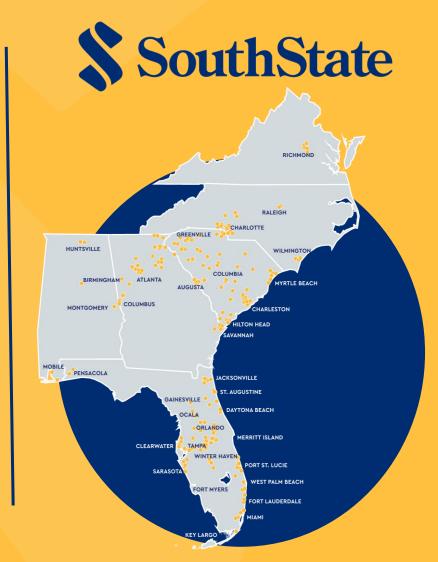
## **The Solution**



# Assumable Rate Conversion ("ARC") Program

## **Community Banks**





\$45
Billion in assets

\$32
Billion in loans

\$37
Billion in deposits

\$5.9
Billion market cap

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#### **Loan Hedging Alternative**



Lend Fixed



**Receive Floating** 



Earn Fee Income +1-2%



No Derivative No ISDA Simple Docs

#### ARC vs Swaps



Fee Generation   ✓  Swap/Hedge Portability   Hedge for Unique Structures   ✓	✓ ✓ ✓
	✓ ✓ ✓
Hedge for Unique Structures	✓
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Hedges for Forward-Starting Structures	
Accounting:	
<u>No</u> Hedge Effectiveness Accounting ✓	×
<u>No</u> Call Report Derivative Disclosure  ✓	×
<u>No</u> Derivative Capital Allocation ✓	×
<u>No</u> Dodd-Frank Reporting   ✓	×
Documentation:	
<b>No</b> ISDA Documentation for Bank ✓	×
<b>No</b> ISDA Documentation for Borrower   ✓	×
Collateral Requirement:	
<u>No</u> Independent Amount (\$500k+) ✓	×
<b>No</b> Additional Cash & Securities ✓	×
Simplified Borrower Experience:  √	×

- Ø ARC reduces the number of pages required for documentation from 45 pages using swaps to four pages for ARC.
- Ø ARC eliminates the requirement for loan officers to explain a complex transaction.

A simplified platform for borrowers and loan officers' results in more transactions booked.



### Why ARC



#### Increase Loan Growth

Meet borrower demand by having a long-term fixed rate product



#### Differentiate From Competitors

ARC allows you to be one of the only banks offering a 20-year fixed rate



### **Generate Fee Income**

With ARC you can embed an additional 1 to 2.5pts of fee income



### **Simple Documentation**

Use your standard loan docs and closing process

#### **Broad Usage**



























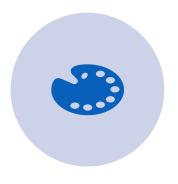


## **ARC Applications**









**EXISTING LOANS** 

CONSTRUCTION THROUGH PERM

ZERO COST CLOSINGS

BLEND AND EXTEND



#### Rates as of 08/20/2024:

Bank Floating Rate Starts At Closing

ARC rates
that can be
obtained
today have
priced in
projected
Fed rate
cuts

	<b>Fixed</b>	Floating	ARC
	Rate	Rate	Fee Income
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<sup>\*</sup>Bank would receive a floating rate of 1-Month SOFR plus a credit spread and recognize the full fee income shown above \*Fee income above is based on a \$1,000,000 loan with an embedded ARC fee of 20 basis points

With ARC Bank Earns: 5.31% + 2.70% = 8.01%

1-Month SOFR Spread



## Fed Funds Futures – Implied Rate

		CME FEDWATCH TOOL - CONDITIONAL MEETING PROBABILITIES										
MEETING DATE	250-275	275-300	300-325	325-350	350-375	375-400	400-425	425-450	450-475	475-500	500-525	
9/18/2024							0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	22.5%	77.5%	
11/7/2024		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.9%	34.6%	60.5%	0.0%	
12/18/2024	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	14.9%	43.3%	40.1%	0.0%	0.0%	
1/29/2025	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	14.8%	43.1%	40.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	
3/19/2025	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	2.7%	17.1%	42.9%	37.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
4/30/2025	0.0%	0.1%	1.5%	10.3%	30.8%	39.7%	17.5%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
6/18/2025	0.1%	1.1%	8.2%	25.8%	37.6%	22.9%	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
7/30/2025	0.5%	4.2%	15.8%	30.9%	31.2%	14.9%	2.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

https://www.cmegroup.com/markets/interest-rates/cme-fedwatch-tool.html



CURRENT FED FUNDS FUTURES PROJECTIONS ABOVE



FIRST RATE CUT BEING PRICED IN FOR SEPT 2024 70% CHANCE OF 25BP



PROJECTING A 3.50% FED FUND RATE (6.50% PRIME) IN MID 2025



ARC RATES ALREADY HAVE THESE POTENTIAL CUTS PRICED IN

#### Rate Projections









**MARKET ADJUSTS** 

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1/29/2025	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	14.8%	43.1%	40.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	
3/19/2025	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	2.7%	17.1%	42.9%	37.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
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#### **FED PROBABILITIES**



## It is impossible to predict the future, but we can take advantage of current probabilities today

- Meet borrower request for lower rates now
- Borrower can leverage current rate projections

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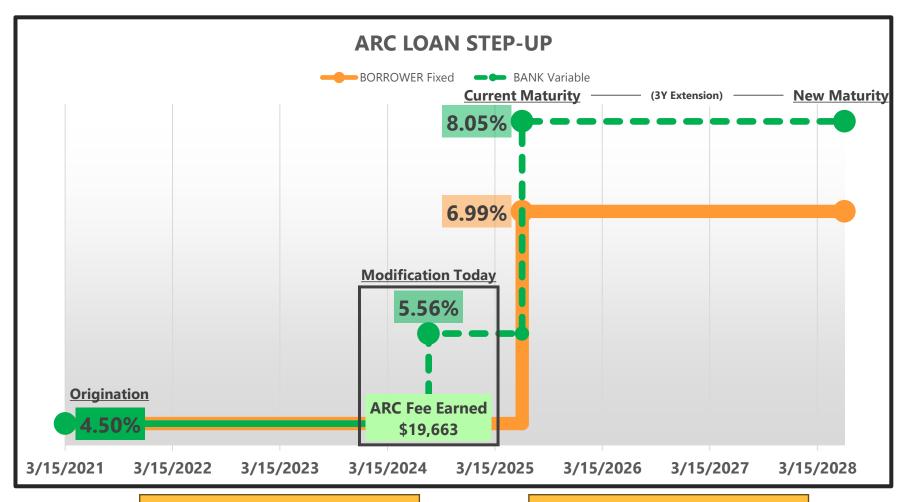
	In-House Fixed		
Rate	PRIME – 50bp		
Term	2yr to 5yr		
Amortization	10yr to 30yr		
<b>Borrower Rate</b>	8.00% (fixed)		
Bank Rate	8.00% (fixed)		
Additional Income	None		
<b>Cros-Sell Opportunities</b>	Minor		

#### **ARC Alternative**

	ARC Alternative
Rate	SOFR + 270bp
Term	2yr to 20yr
Amortization	10yr to 30yr
<b>Borrower Rate</b>	6.50% (fixed)
Bank Rate	8.01% (floating)
<b>Additional Income</b>	1 to 2pts
<b>Cros-Sell Opportunities</b>	Great

#### **Existing Loan Modification**





#### **Borrower Benefits**

- Retain existing rate
- Extend financing
- Minimize fees
- Improve certainty

#### **Bank Benefits**

- Book new fee income
- Extend relationship
- Enhance credit
- Remove uncertainty





## **CRE** Existing

Existing CRE and/or Construction Loans



## **\$1MM+**Loan Amount

Larger loan amounts will provide more benefit to your bank and borrower



### <2YR Repricing

ARC refinancing is ideal for existing loans with maturities

2yrs or less



<**5%** Rates

Increase yield and generate additional fee income on lower-yielding loans





#### Daily Rates

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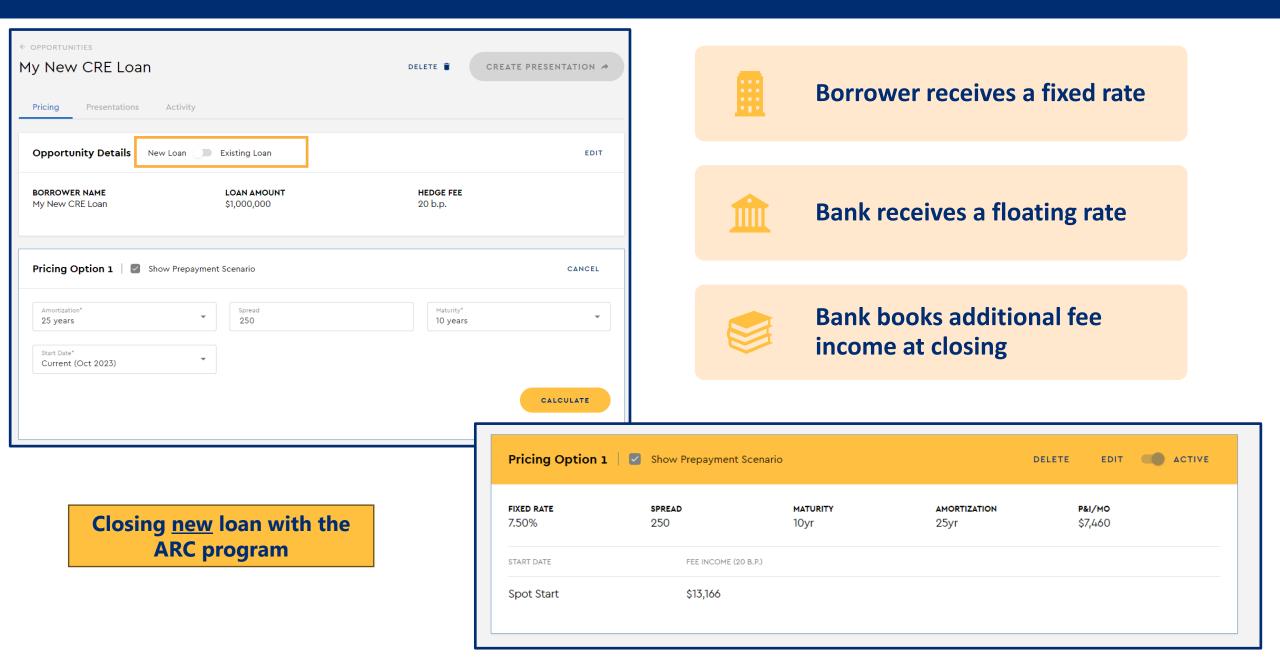
MANAGE DAILY ARC EMAIL SUBSCRIPTION

Here is the current loan hedge pricing for a sample ARC transaction that is at least \$1 million (ARC is available for loans as small as \$250k). Please note that the below table is the applicable fixed rate without a credit spread. To arrive at a fixed rate to a borrower add the bank's desired credit spread to the hedge rates shown below. The bank will earn a yield equal to daily SOFR paid monthly (which is currently 5.33%) plus the same credit spread.

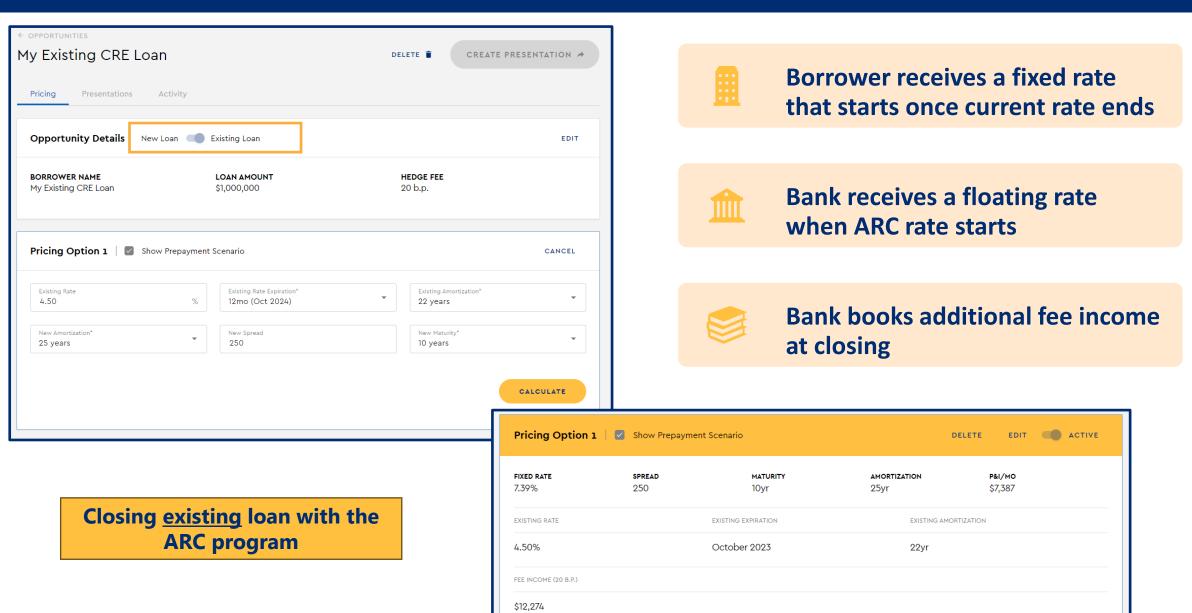
Start Date
Spot Start

AM.	3YR	4YR	5YR	6YR	7YR	8YR	9YR	10Y	12Y	15 <b>Y</b>	20Y
3yr Am.	5.28%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5yr Am.	5.13%	5.06%	5.05%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7yr Am.	5.09%	5.00%	4.97%	4.94%	4.93%	-	-	-	-	-	-
10yr Am.	5.07%	4.97%	4.93%	4.89%	4.88%	4.87%	4.87%	4.87%	-	-	-
15yr Am.	5.05%	4.95%	4.88%	4.86%	4.84%	4.83%	4.82%	4.82%	4.81%	4.82%	-
20yr Am.	5.04%	4.93%	4.86%	4.84%	4.83%	4.80%	4.80%	4.80%	4.80%	4.82%	4.82%
25yr Am.	5.04%	4.92%	4.85%	4.83%	4.81%	4.80%	4.79%	4.80%	4.80%	4.82%	4.80%
30yr Am.	5.04%	4.92%	4.85%	4.82%	4.81%	4.79%	4.79%	4.79%	4.80%	4.82%	4.80%

These rates are indicative, based on assumption of minimum loan size of \$1 million and subject to change based on market conditions. To price a live transaction, please contact the desk at 1-800-481-2443 or arc@southstatebank.com



#### **Existing Loan**





Subject Loan: A \$1,000,000 loan is structured as a 25 years amortizing with a 10 years fixed rate, with a 7.50% fixed rate and the initial swap rate or hedge rate (synonymous terms) is 5.00%.

 Initial Hedge Rate:
 5.00%

 Loan Spread:
 2.50%

 All-in Fixed Rate:
 7.50%

#### Prepayment Hedge Rate vs. Initial Hedge Rate

Remaining Term	-75 bps	-50 bps	-25 bps	o bps	+25 bps	+50 bps	+75 bps
10 years	-\$56,549	-\$37,282	-\$18,436	-	\$18,034	\$35,676	\$52,936
9 years	-\$51,714	-\$34,126	-\$16,890	-	\$16,552	\$32,774	\$48,672
8 years	-\$46,361	-\$30,625	-\$15,173	-	\$14,899	\$29,530	\$43,898
7 years	-\$40,896	-\$27,043	-\$13,413	-	\$13,198	\$26,185	\$38,964
6 years	-\$35,325	-\$23,384	-\$11,610	-	\$11,449	\$22,738	\$33,870
5 years	-\$29,632	-\$19,637	-\$9,760	-	\$9,645	\$19,177	\$28,596
4 years	-\$23,864	-\$15,832	-\$7,878	-	\$7,802	\$15,529	\$23,182
3 years	-\$18,008	-\$11,961	-\$5,958	-	\$5,915	\$11,786	\$17,614
2 years	-\$12,075	-\$8,030	-\$4,005	-	\$3,985	\$7,949	\$11,894
1 year	-\$6,057	-\$4,033	-\$2,014	-	\$2,008	\$4,011	\$6,009

**Borrower Owes** 

**Borrower Receives** 



#### **ARC Potential Prepayment Outcomes**

**Borrower Receives a Fee In the money Borrower Pays a Fee Out of the money Assumable New Borrower Takes Loan and Hedge Borrower Takes Loan/Hedge to Another Assignable Property** 



#### **Transaction Parameters**

- Loan Amount: \$250K to \$50 million
- **Terms:** 20-year term and 30-year amortization
- LTV: Maximum LTV ratio of 85%\*
- **DSCR:** Minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.20x\*
- Loan Types Considered: Office, industrial, retail, multifamily, special purpose, hospitality, self storage, tax-exempt, non-profit, SBA, among many others
- Loan Types Excluded: Public golf courses, non-defense weapon manufacturers, adult entertainment, marijuana industry

\*We are willing and able to make exceptions to these guidelines based on acceptable credit rationale.

#### **Regulatory Requirements:**

• Per Dodd-Frank, the borrowing entity *or* entity ownership must be able to demonstrate a **\$1mm net worth** in order to qualify as an Eligible Contract Participant ("ECP"). Ask the ARC team about methods of qualification.

# Questions?





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#### **NEXT STEPS**

1. UNDERSTAND

**ARC Hub** 

2. UTILIZE

**ARCpricing.com** 

3. ASK

**Call & Email** 



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