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Fact Sheet - General Obligation Loans

Eligible Borrowers:	Wisconsin towns, villages, cities, counties, school districts, technical college districts, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, town sanitary districts, metropolitan sewerage districts, metropolitan sewerage systems, joint sewerage systems, consortiums, cooperative educational service agencies (CESAs), federated public library systems, and drainage districts.		
Loan Process:	Simple and transparent, with funds available 30-45 days from initial application request.		
Loan Security:	Loans become a general obligation of the borrower and require the borrower to levy a tax sufficient to make annual principal and interest payments when due.		
Loan Purpose:	Loans of 10 years or less may be made to facilitate the performance of any power or duty of the borrowing municipality, including operations and maintenance. Loans greater than 10 years are restricted to the financing or refinancing of public purpose projects including “the acquisition, leasing, planning, design, construction, development, extension, enlargement, renovation, rebuilding, repair or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, equipment, or facilities”, or any purpose otherwise allowed by law.		
Economic Development Lending:	BCPL is a major source of funding for economic development projects including pass-through loans or grants made for private development, funding development incentives, TID infrastructure loans, land acquisition and development of business parks, and similar projects. Upon request, BCPL is able to provide critical flexibility in the repayment schedule if and when expected revenues are delayed.		
Payments:	Annual payments are due March 15 each year and are exempt from State of Wisconsin municipal levy limit calculations. Loans funded between September 1 and March 14 do not have a required payment the following March 15. BCPL can provide custom amortization schedules to coordinate payments with future budgeted items. Upon request, we can allow a few years of interest-only payments to provide sufficient time for the project to generate expected revenues.		
Prepayment:	Prepayments are allowed without penalty between January 1 and August 31 each year, upon 30 days prior written notice. This flexibility can be extremely valuable for our customers when compared to the rigid payment structure required after selling bonds. Tired of waiting for a call date? Call BCPL!		
Terms:	2-year to 20-year fixed rate loans.		
Current Rates:	Loan Term	2 years	5.50%
		3-5 years	5.50%
		6-10 years	6.00%
		11-20 years	6.50%
Rate Lock:	Market-based interest rates are locked for 60 days following BCPL receipt of the loan application request form. If the completed application is received by BCPL within 60 days, the rate lock remains in place through final loan approval, the 4-month draw period, and the full term of the loan.		
Fees:	No application fees, origination fees or prepayment fees. No fees period!		
Best Part:	100% of interest earned by BCPL is distributed to provide the sole state aid for public school library media and resources. This payment effectively reduces local real estate taxes by providing schools with another source of funding. See our website for the annual contribution BCPL made to your local school district. You might be surprised!		