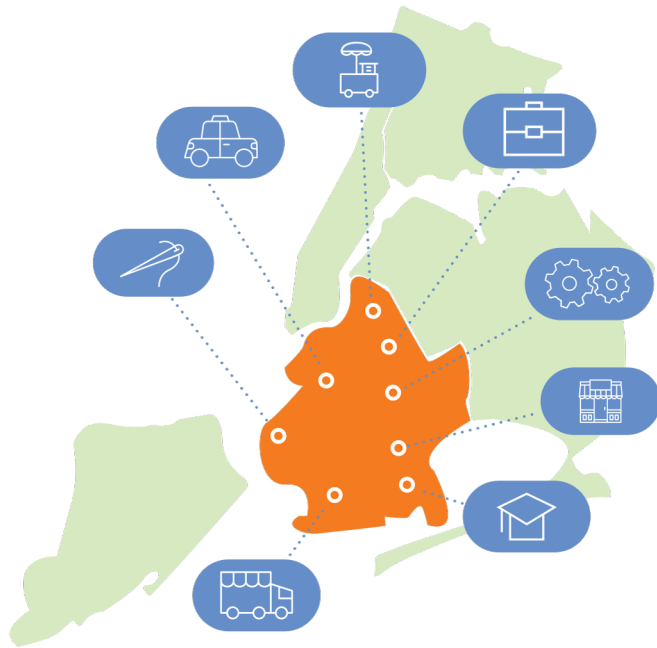


In fiscal year 2025, Accompany Capital provided **\$2,721,386.04** in loans to 70 small businesses in Brooklyn



About Brooklyn

Brooklyn is New York's most populous borough, with approximately 2.7 million residents. Its population remains highly diverse, with around 36% foreign-born residents, and over 200 languages spoken across the borough. Brooklyn's economy continues to be driven by small businesses, with over 128,000 private-sector businesses as of 2024—many of which are very small enterprises with fewer than five employees.

Total Borough Statistics

for 1,640 small businesses since 1997

\$24.4 Million in Loans

93% of Loans to Refugees and Immigrants

776 loans to immigrant-owned and 750 loans to refugee-owned businesses totaling \$20 Million since 1997

40% to Women-Owned Businesses

659 loans totaling \$8.7M to women-owned businesses since 1997

2,436 Jobs Supported

478 jobs created and 1,958 jobs retained since FY18

Impact

In fiscal year 2025, Accompany Capital served **145** operating businesses in Brooklyn

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Businesses started

25

Businesses expanded

112

Businesses strengthened

48

Full time jobs created

54

Part time jobs created

430

Jobs retained

AC Client Highlight

SweetsandThings

Yesenia Rodriguez



Yesenia Rodriguez turned her passion for baking into a thriving business, SweetsandThings, when she began baking specialty items inspired by her Dominican roots in her apartment kitchen in 2022. By 2023, she was selling her SweetsandThings products at weekly farmers Markets and had secured a retail and wholesale space in Brooklyn for her popular Tres Leches Cakes.

In 2024, Yesenia was approved for a loan from Accompany Capital to cover kitchen fit-out, furniture, and inventory costs for her new storefront, as well as working capital. Her Fulton Street location officially opened its doors in November 2024, to an enthusiastic reception. Since then, SweetsandThings, which now features 30 different Hispanic-inspired flavors, has been featured on Good Morning America, Telemundo, Pix11, and NBC4.

By filling a unique gap in the market and with her dedication and vision, Yesenia has created a beloved brand with a bright future ahead.