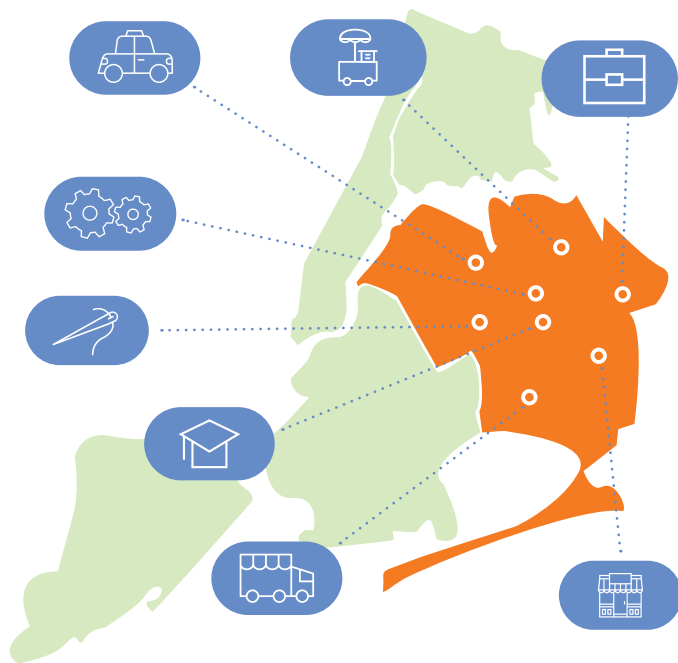


In fiscal year 2023, Accompany Capital provided **\$2,406,000** in loans to 32 small businesses in Queens.



About Queens

Queens is New York's largest and fastest-growing borough. It is also considered the most ethnically diverse urban community in the world with 47% of its 2.5 million residents foreign-born and over 167 languages spoken in the Jackson Heights neighborhood alone.

Total Borough Statistics

for 678 small businesses since 1997

\$13.7 Million in Loans

94.4% of Loans to Refugees & Immigrants

478 immigrants and 162 refugees

38.8% of Loans to Women Owned Businesses

263 businesses received \$5.1 million in loans

1,172 Jobs Supported

285 jobs created, 887 jobs retained since FY18

Impact

In fiscal year 2023, Accompany Capital served 77 operating businesses in Queens

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Businesses started

20

Businesses expanded

55

Businesses strengthened

76

Full time jobs created

21

Part time jobs created

220

Jobs retained

Tashi Tsering Bhutan Corner Corp.



Tashi Tsering is the proprietor of Bhutan Corner Corp. located in Woodside, Queens, an existing business he purchased from its previous owner in 2016.

Bhutan Corner offers a variety of products including traditional Bhutanese grains like roasted wheat flour for porridge and kharang, a coarsely milled maize that can be mixed with rice, and gayza seap, a fried corn snack enjoyed with tea.

Tashi and Accompany Capital have worked together over the years, beginning in 2017

when Accompany Capital helped him purchase inventory for his growing client base.

Tashi is attentive and responsive to his clients' tastes and frequently adds requested items to his inventory. A 2023 loan funded the purchase of additional inventory, including more traditional Bhutanese products like intricately embroidered boots known as tsholam and the cylindrical tongba vessel for fermented millet beverages.

He also stocks everyday essentials like electronics, beverages, and international calling cards.

Sally Kissoon & Raheema Ahmed Q102 Pool Hall & Lounge



Q102 Pool Hall & Lounge co-owners Sally Kissoon and Raheema Ahmed updated a beloved 40-year-old billiard hall in Richmond Hill, Queens, creating an entirely new 21st Century brand and clientele for the business.

Renovations included new flooring, 14 blue felt pool tables, trendy neon lighting, 7 VIP lounges, and a full bar and kitchen serving an array of drinks, appetizers, and entrees. Q102 now hosts weekly tournaments for local league players as well as parties and events where guests enjoy the privacy and luxury of the VIP lounges.

A professional bartender with previous billiard hall experience, Raheema understands the industry and can mix over 100 cocktail recipes. Sally brings extensive financial management experience to the partnership, having worked as a VP for several large banks.

A recent loan from Accompany Capital provided Q102 with capital for start-up costs, enabling this ambitious duo to launch their business in 2021. Sally and Raheema want Q102 Pool Hall & Lounge to become the top pool hall and entertainment experience in the Richmond Hill area.