

CPP ANNUAL USE OF CAPITAL SURVEY - 2011



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(Include Holding Company Where Applicable)

Chambers Bancshares, Inc./Chambers Bank

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Date Repaid ¹ :	N/A	State:	Arkansas

¹If repayment was incremental, please enter the most recent repayment date.

American taxpayers are quite interested in knowing how banks have used the money that Treasury has invested under the Capital Purchase Program (CPP) and Community Development Capital Initiative (CDCI). To answer that question, Treasury is seeking responses that describe generally how the CPP/CDCI investment has affected the operation of your business. We understand that once received, the cash associated with TARP funding is indistinguishable from other cash sources, unless the funds were segregated, and therefore it may not be feasible to identify precisely how the CPP/CDCI investment was deployed or how many CPP/CDCI dollars were allocated to each use. Nevertheless, we ask you to provide as much information as you can about how you have used the capital Treasury has provided, and how your uses of that capital have changed over time. Treasury will be pairing this survey with a summary of certain balance sheet and other financial data from your institution's regulatory filings, so to the extent you find it helpful to do so, please feel free to refer to your institution's quarterly call reports to illustrate your answers. This is your opportunity to speak to the taxpayers in your own words, which will be posted on our website.

What specific ways did your institution utilize CPP/CDCI capital? Check all that apply and elaborate as appropriate, especially if the uses have shifted over time. Your responses should reflect actions taken over the past year (or for the portion of the year in which CPP/CDCI funds were outstanding).

Increase lending or reduce lending less than otherwise would have occurred.

Total loans were reduced by approximately 7% during 2011. The reduction included 2% of net credit losses.

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To the extent the funds supported increased lending, please describe the major type of loans, if possible (residential mortgage loans, commercial mortgage loans, small business loans, etc.).

Empty response box for increased lending.

Increase securities purchased (ABS, MBS, etc.).

Empty response box for increased securities purchased.

Make other investments.

Empty response box for other investments.

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X Increase reserves for non-performing assets.

From December 2010 to December 2011, Chambers Bancshares, Inc. made provisions to its loan loss reserve in the amount of \$16.9 million. During the same time frame, the company had net credit losses in the amount of \$10.2 million.

X Reduce borrowings.

By retaining funds at the holding company, the program has allowed the company to service debt and reduce its borrowings.

X Increase charge-offs.

Chambers Bancshares, Inc. was able to absorb \$10.2 million in net credit losses during 2011.

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Purchase another financial institution or purchase assets from another financial institution.

Held as non-leveraged increase to total capital.

By retaining funds at the holding company it allowed the bank to retain its revenues with no distributions being paid to the parent.

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What actions were you able to avoid because of the capital infusion of CPP/CDCI funds?

The injection of the CPP funds at Chambers Bancshares, Inc. has precluded the holding company from drawing additional funds from the bank in order to maintain liquidity at the parent company. This enabled the bank to maintain adequate capital and liquidity ratios.

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What actions were you able to take that you may not have taken without the capital infusion of CPP/CDCI funds?

The infusion has enabled the holding company to continue to service its debts and reduce its borrowings without reliance on distributions from the bank. This has allowed the bank to absorb necessary credit losses and make additional provisions to the reserve.

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Please describe any other actions that you were able to undertake with the capital infusion of CPP/CDIC funds.

The CPP injection to Chambers Bancshares, Inc. has enabled the holding company to not rely on the bank for liquidity.