## Strategies for Franchise Value Growth and Liquidity Management Today

MAY 2025



### Agenda

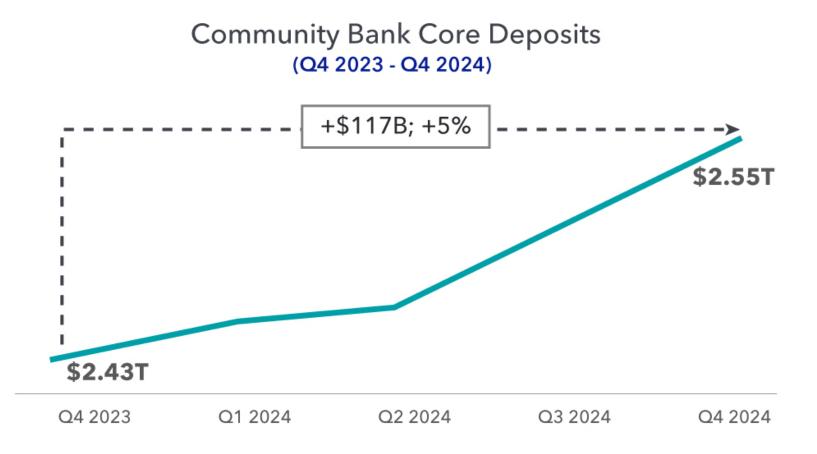
This session, designed for treasury and other financial professionals, covers:

- Current market environment
- Typical cash management choices
- Liquidity management
- Other considerations



## Community Bank Core Deposit Growth

Year-end call report data shows that community banks increased their core deposits by \$117 billion, or 5%, in 2024. This represents more than two-thirds of community banks' total deposit growth last year.

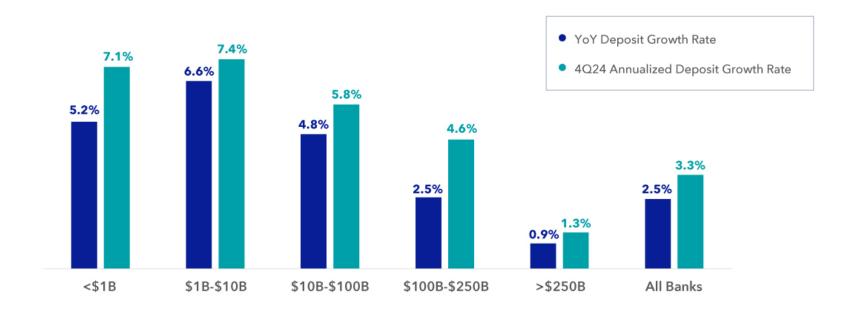




## Deposit Growth Rate by Asset Size

Call report data for Q4 2024 shows that annualized Q4 deposit growth rates outpaced year-over-year growth rates for banks of all sizes, suggesting continued strength in bank deposit growth going into 2025.

**Q4 2024** Deposit Growth Rates by Bank Asset Size



Source: S&P Capital IQ

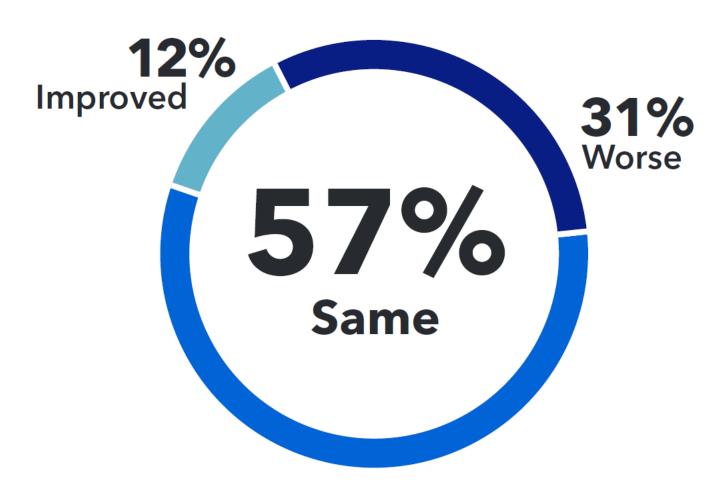


# Banker Perspectives Deposit Competition

Bankers continue to believe the deposit competition will remain at elevated levels (57% or will tighten further (31%) over the next 12-months.

### **Expectation**

Looking 12 Months Ahead

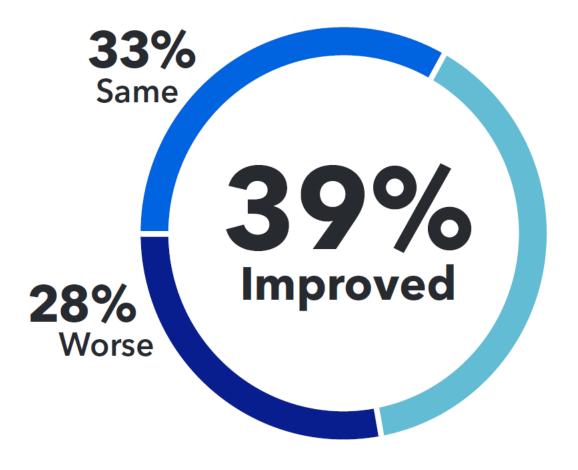




## Banker Perspectives Loan Demand

Bankers predict that loan demand will stay the same (33%) or will improve (39%) over the next 12-months.

## **Expectation**Looking 12 Months Ahead





# Economic Uncertainty Prevails

The collapse of dollar shows 'the biggest damage right now is to the U.S. brand'

marketwatch.com, April 11, 2025

As Fears of Bank Failure Persist, Corporate Finance Leaders Prioritize Liquidity and Safety

Bankingexchange.com, March 10, 2025

## Wall Street Uncertain Over When Fed's Balance-Sheet Unwind Will End

bloomberg.com, March 20, 2025

Recession Alarms are Ringing on Wall Street

businessinsider.com, March 25, 2025

## It's Not a Great Time to Be a Saver—or a Borrower

WallStreetJournal.com, March 13, 2025

Powell Revives a Debate on 'Transitory' Inflation

nytimes.com, March 20, 2025

Fed Hold Rates Steady and Predicts Higher Inflation, Slower Growth Ahead

nytimes.com, March 19. 2025

Government debt interest costs hit highest level since 2007

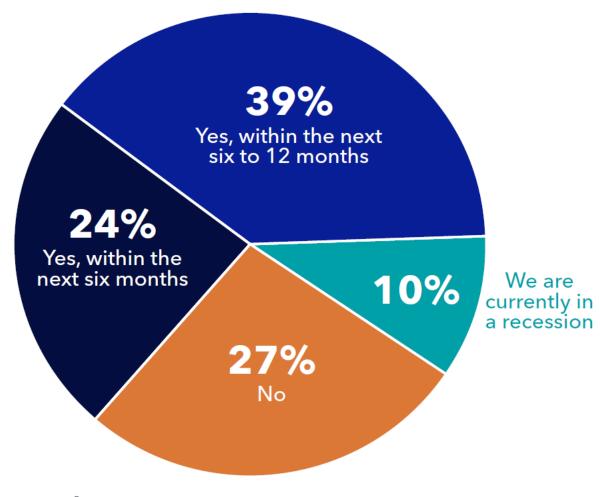


#### **Banker Perspectives**

According to IntraFi's most recent survey, 10% of bankers believe the economy is already in a recession, and another 63% believe we will enter one within the next 12 months. These results align with recent national surveys on the direction of the U.S. economy.

#### IS A RECESSION ON THE HORIZON?

Consumer confidence hit its lowest point in more than two years in March, sparking renewed fears of a recession. Do you think a recession is on the horizon?





<sup>1</sup> Source: Q1 2025 Bank Executive Business Outlook Survey.

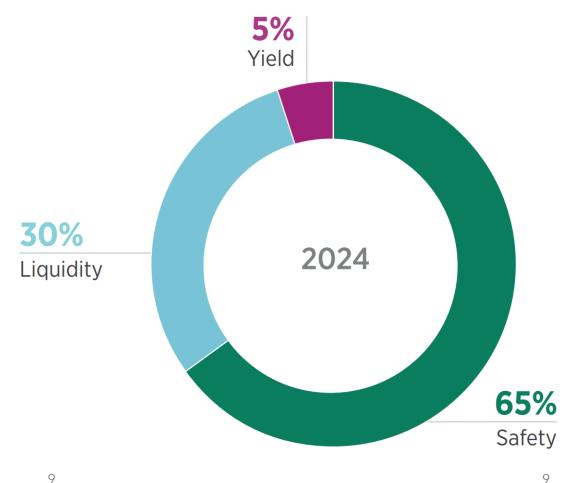
<sup>2</sup> https://news.gallup.com/poll/659630/americans-economic-financial-expectations-sink-april.aspx

## Safety Ranked Most Important

Per the Association of Financial Professionals Liquidity Survey respondents, safety was the top priority for short-term cash investments, up from 63% in 2023.

#### The Most Important Objective of **Organizations' Cash Investment Policy**

(percentage distribution of organizations with a written cash investment policy)





# Appeal to Desire for Safety



For many customers, safety of funds is a top priority— and proactively reaching out to tout their safe cash management options is likely welcome. Customers remember who is in their corner in tumultuous times and meeting their security needs helps build loyalty.



#### **Repurchase Sweeps and Collateralized Deposits**

#### **PROS**

- Provide liquidity
- Provide security
- May earn interest (although the yield can be very low)
- Unlimited withdrawals

- Repo process carries administrative burdens
- Resources are needed to track and mark-to-market changing collateral values on an ongoing basis
- Risk potential exists due to changing value of pledged collateral
- Customer relies on issuer's credit
- Customer may have to include a footnote on financial statements about collateral



#### **Letters of Credit/Private Insurance**

**PROS** • Provide security

- Tend to be more expensive
- Generally require collateralization



## Money Market Mutual Fund Sweeps/Short-Term Bond Funds

#### **PROS**

- Provide returns
- Provide liquidity

- These funds are not FDIC-insured
- Returns may be lower than bank rates on CDs or money market deposit accounts
- Some money market funds may have withdrawal restrictions, liquidity fees, or redemption gates
- The net asset value (NAV may fluctuate based on changes in credit and rate)
- Some entities may need to disclose unsecured investments in financial statements



## FDIC-Insured Cash Management Option

#### **Deposit Placement Network Services**

#### **PROS**

- May provide access to millions in aggregate FDIC insurance across network banks (limits vary widely by provider)<sup>1</sup>
- Can be interest-bearing
- User can forego the hassles of requiring and monitoring collateralization on an ongoing basis
- Provide various liquidity options

- Limited number of providers
- May have some withdrawal limits (withdrawal limits vary by provider)



<sup>[1]</sup> Network is not a bank and deposit insurance covers the failure of an insured bank. Certain conditions must be satisfied for "pass-through" FDIC deposit insurance coverage to apply.

### Selection Criteria

## When choosing an insured deposit option, it is vital to choose wisely. Below are some criteria to consider.

#### **Due Diligence (research and inquire)**

 Organizational stability—company reputation, financial stability, quality, and thought leadership of senior management and board of directors

#### **Confidentiality and Integrity**

• How is my information protected?

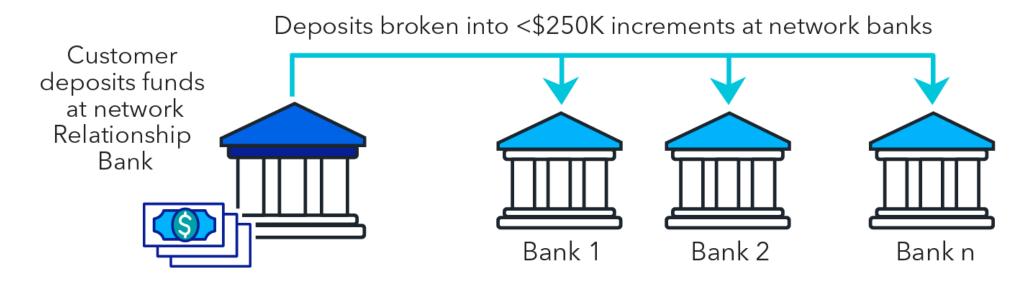
#### **Third-Party Independent Validation**

- Industry endorsements
- Security assessments & audits (e.g., penetration testing, secure software development & verification, and SSAE 16 SOC 1)



## Offer Security and Simplicity in Accessing FDIC Insurance

With FDIC-insured deposit services such as IntraFi Cash Service, or ICS®, and CDARS®, your bank can provide customers with returns and access to multi-million-dollar aggregate FDIC insurance across network banks directly through one bank relationship—yours—for large deposits placed into demand deposit accounts, money market deposit accounts, and CDs.



Note: Deposits are placed in demand deposit accounts or money market deposit accounts when using ICS, or CDs when using the CD option.

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## Attract All Types of Safety-Conscious Customers



- Corporations (public and private)
- Mid-size companies (public and private)
- Small businesses
   (partnerships, sole proprietorships, entrepreneurial ventures)
- Franchises



- **Government Entities**
- Government agencies
- Municipalities (towns, cities, counties)
- Police departments
- Fire districts
- Public colleges and universities
- Public hospitals
- School districts
- State funds
- Utility districts (power, water, sewer, etc.)



- Charities
- Religious institutions
- Colleges and universities
- Community foundations
- Endowment funds
- Foundations
- Homeowners / Condo associations
- Hospitals



**Others** 

Other large-dollar depositors, which may include:

- Banks and credit unions (for CRA credit or as earning assets)
- Escrow/Title companies
- Estate planners
- Private investors
- Trusts/Trustees
- 1031 exchange participants

The authority of institutional customers to place funds through IntraFi's services may be subject to restrictions under applicable law or investment policies.

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## **REPLACE** Collateralized Deposits

## By replacing collateralized deposits with deposits eligible for FDIC insurance, your bank can

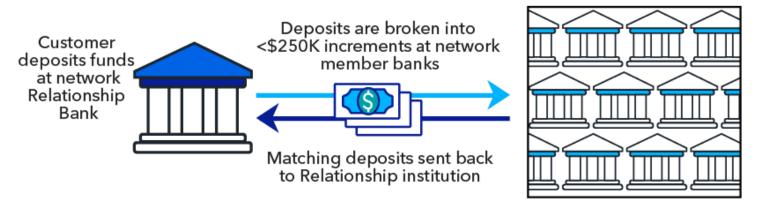
- Replace higher-cost funding
- Improve asset liquidity
- Generate additional revenue by repurposing funds invested in collateral into higher-earning assets
- Reduce collateral-tracking burdens and associated costs
- Lower the risk of shortfall due to collateral-value deterioration



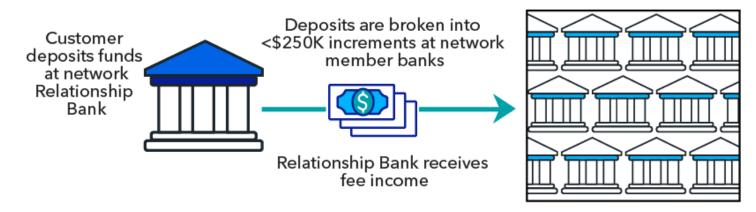
## Liquidity Management

# Choose a FLEXIBLE Balance Sheet Solution

#### On Balance Sheet Solution



#### Off Balance Sheet Solution

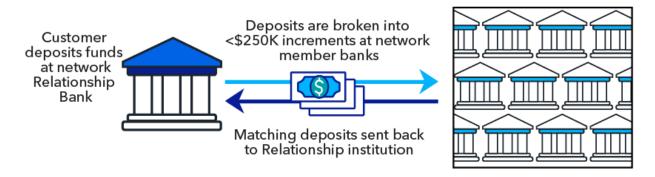


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## Enhance FRANCHISE VALUE with Reciprocal Deposits

#### On Balance Sheet Solution



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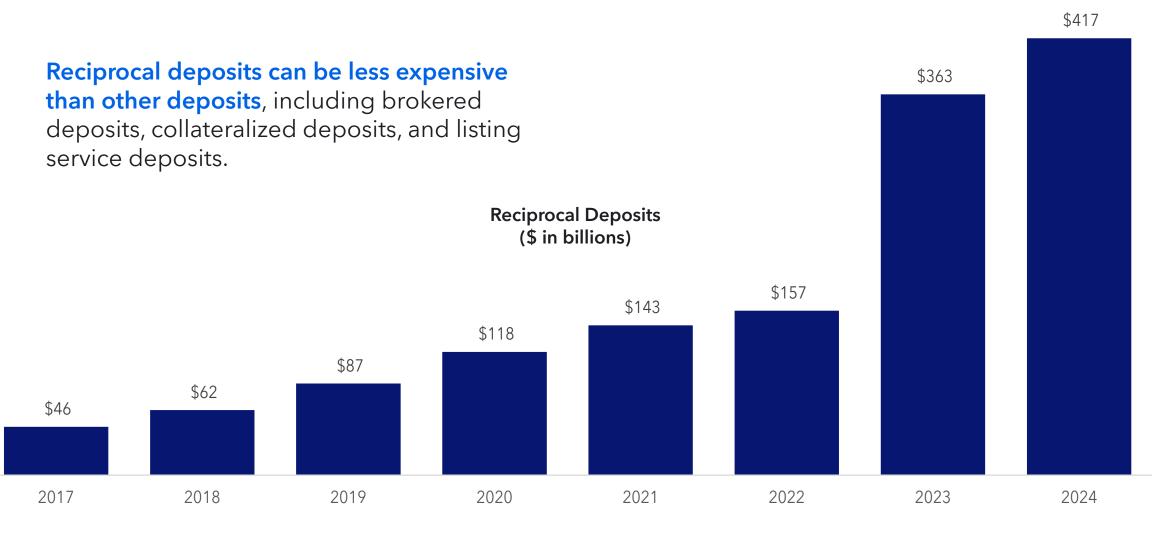


## Most reciprocal deposits are reportable as core.

Since they tend to be lower-cost deposits that come in large increments from local customers, reciprocal deposits can help your bank grow franchise value.



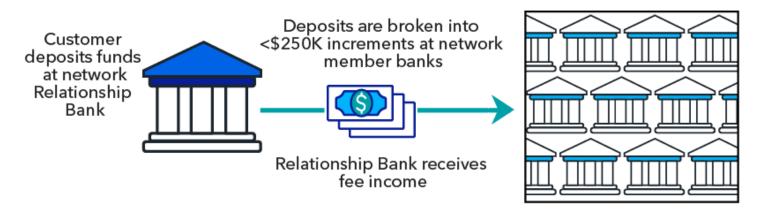
### Use of Reciprocal Deposits Continues to Grow





## Proactively Manage LIQUIDITY

#### **Off Balance Sheet Solution**



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# Other Considerations for Today's Rate Environment

## Examine and Reprice Short-Term Liabilities

To counterbalance falling/paused rate environment, banks will need to reprice a portion of their liabilities, reducing interest paid to some depositors.

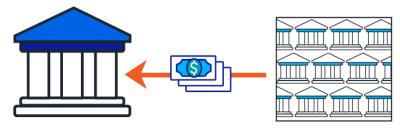
While some customer runoff will be inevitable, bankers should prudently consider their approach, as cutting rates too swiftly (or for too many customers) could lead to unexpectedly large losses in funding.

Thoughtfully considering which classes of customer will see the first rate cuts (preserving higher rates for higher-value depositors), in conjunction with using short-term funding solutions or by selling deposits, can help banks maintain desired funding and optimal liquidity levels.



## Diversify Funding Solutions

 IntraFi's ICS® service can provide floating-rate, short-term funding that reprices quickly, enabling banks to take full advantage of lower rates and replace high-cost deposits.



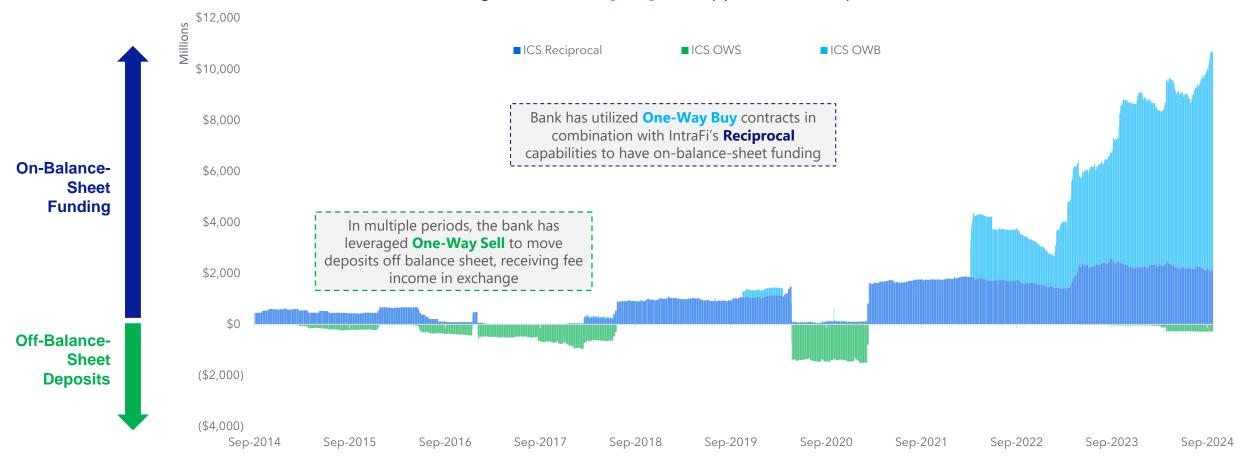
This can be done through the ICS One-Way Buy® feature. With One-Way Buy, banks can access floating-rate funding at select terms (from overnight to multi-year) without collateralization requirements.

 Institutions looking to reduce the burden of longer- term liabilities who still desire fixed-rate funding may benefit from leveraging brokered CD funding, which allows banks to acquire large blocks of fixed-rate, wholesale funding and mitigate margin compression - while paying a single all-in rate with no transaction fees.



### Case Study

A regional bank utilizing IntraFi's services to dynamically switch between having deposits on balance sheet (ICS Reciprocal) and moving them off balance sheet (ICS One-Way Sell) for fee income when there is a surplus. Bank also uses wholesale funding (ICS One-Way Buy) to supplement its deposit needs





## In Summary

#### A changing market environment can be difficult, but there are opportunities.

- Know that a changing environment makes it a good time to strengthen relationships with your customers, to invite customers back who may have left for higher rates, and to reach out to classes of customers that may be re-evaluating their cash positions now.
- A deposit network solution offers benefits beyond rates that help build large, franchise-building relationships and improve liquidity management.
- Carefully re-price liabilities, considering the value of existing customers and utilize off balance sheet deposit solutions and wholesale funding to manage your balance sheet.



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## **Bank Executive Business Outlook Survey**

IntraFi's quarterly Bank Executive Business Outlook Survey, now in its 10th year, is designed to gather and share insight into the experience and expectations of banking leaders on the industry landscape.

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10 largest U.S. banks

92 of the top 100 banks 90% of U.S. banks above

\$10bn in assets<sup>1</sup>

of the top 20

banks

2,900+
community banks<sup>2</sup>

Working with FIs of All Types and Sizes<sup>3</sup>

**77%** 

of CDFI<sup>4</sup> banks

banks by assets

**95%** 

of Native American banks by assets

**95**%

100%

of African American

of Asian American banks by assets

82%

of Hispanic Banks by assets

Note: Includes members of one or more services of IntraFi. [1] Bank asset sizes determined at the parent level as of September 30, 2024. [2] Bank charters with less than \$10 billion in assets. [3] As of February 25, 2025. [4] Designation given by the CDFI Fund to specialized organizations that provide financial services in low-income communities and to people who lack access to financing.

