

Pastor Advisory: Revolving Loan Fund Interest Rates - January 1, 2026

The Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) provides savings and loan services to parishes, schools and other Catholic organizations under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston (RCAB). The RLF program is administered by Central Ministries of the Archdiocese of Boston and overseen by the Financial Services Committee. Parishes that place funds on deposit with RLF make it possible for parishes and institutions to obtain financing for operations and construction projects that may not otherwise be available to them.

In accordance with the RLF policy, rates are reviewed quarterly for possible adjustment.

After reviewing comparative savings rates and financial market conditions, it has been determined that the **rate on RLF savings accounts will be modified from 0.75% to 0.60%**. To remain competitive and provide a higher return savings alternative the RLF CD's will continue to offer a **six-month CD at 3.75%** and **one-year CD at 3.50%**. The Fed process of lowering the Fed Funds rate could ease or continue this year which may impact future RCAB RLF savings rates. RCAB RLF continues to provide safety and a savings rate above many institutional banks while balancing the RLF portfolio.

The RLF loan program will continue to minimize the impact of changing lending rates made over the previous few years and the **parish variable lending rate will continue to be held constant at 4.00%**. Institutions seeking an RLF loan should contact the RLF team for information on applicable rates. Loan rates have been held low despite numerous Fed prime lending rate change activity over the past years and will continue to be monitored closely.

Requests for forms or information should be sent via a secure RCAB email to the RLF team at revolvingloanfund@rcab.org.