



Biography

Owen Jackson, Vice President of Business Development National Community Reinvestment Coalition

Owen Jackson serves as the Vice President of Business Development for the National Community Reinvestment Coalition. Under Owen's leadership, NCRC has helped businesses across the country access more than \$2.3 Billion in financing, secure more than \$300 Million in contracts, and—most importantly—create nearly 1,500 new jobs since the opening of its first Business Development Center in 2004. In his position, Owen directly oversees the management of NCRC's three Minority Business Development Agency Business Centers located in Washington, DC, Houston, Texas, and New York, New York. Owen also bears responsibility for the strategic direction of NCRC's Small Business Teaming Center and provides support to NCRC's Women Business Center, projects sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Prior to assuming his current position, Owen worked for NCRC as the Director of the DC Minority Business Development Center. During his tenure, the DC Center was repeatedly recognized by the Department of Commerce for securing the highest volume of financing. Previously, Owen was the Vice President of Procurement and E-Commerce for the Queens, Nassau-Suffolk Minority Business Center. There, Owen managed the center's procurement programs. In his two years at the Queens, Nassau-Suffolk Center, Owen helped clients obtain more than \$60 Million in contracts and create 300 new jobs.

An entrepreneur at heart, Owen previously spent seven years as the President and Chief Operating Officer of an IT consulting firm. Both Owen and his company were recognized by community and local officials for outstanding performance. In 2001, the Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency awarded Owen's business the MBE IT firm of the year. And, in 2000, Owen received both the Small Business Person of the Year Award from the Queens Chamber of Commerce and the Robert F. Kennedy Award to a Minority or Woman-Owned Business from the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce.

A graduate of City University of New York, Owen received a B.Sc. in Chemistry and is a member of the American Management Association. In addition to his undergraduate education, Owen has completed business administration programs at the University of Alaska and the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth.