

Community Bankers Attend the Chicago Federal Reserve's 20th Annual Community Banker Symposium

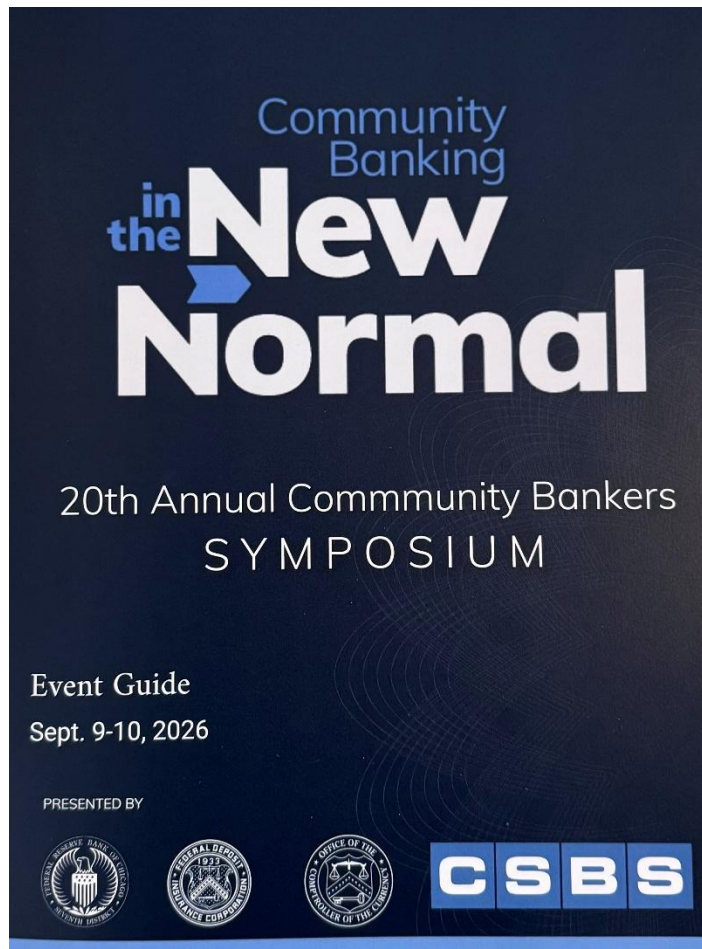
On September 10, 2026, community bankers from across the 7th Federal Reserve District and CBAI staff attended the 20th Annual Community Bankers Symposium. This popular day-long annual event which was hosted by the Chicago Fed included presentations on current industry developments and key bank supervision issues. The Symposium provided a setting where attendees could engage in a dialogue with the regulators on areas of supervisory and regulatory focus as well as the banking and competitive environment. The title of this year's Symposium was *Community Banking in the New Normal* which highlighted the increasing speed of change in financial services.



Prior to the Symposium community bankers were offered an opportunity to participate in an immersive Cyber Simulation Lab workshop. Facilitating this workshop was IBM X-Force, which is an elite threat intelligence and cybersecurity research team that provides offensive and defensive security services to help organizations prepare for, detect, and respond to cyber attacks. Community bankers were guided through realistic cybersecurity breach scenarios designed to assist them in responding to and recovering from enterprise-level incidents, managing vulnerabilities and strengthening their organization's cybersecurity culture.



CBAI thanks the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank and IBM X-Force for offering this informative Symposium and workshop.



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