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Newtek Bank Receives Awards for Lending Capabilities and for Deposit Accounts

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BOCA RATON, Fla., Feb. 17, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [NewtekOne, Inc.](#) (the "Company") (NASDAQ: NEWT) is pleased that its bank subsidiary, Newtek Bank, N.A., (the "Bank") was recently recognized for its lending capabilities and for its deposit account offering.

- The Coleman Report named Newtek Bank "[SBA Bank Lender of the Year](#)." The Coleman Report is a leading authority on loan programs of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).
- NerdWallet honored Newtek Bank for having the "[Best Savings Account 2026](#)." In determining the top savings account, NerdWallet evaluated more than 100 financial institutions, including the largest retail banks and credit unions in the U.S. Savings account offerings were evaluated based on interest rates being offered, fees, minimum balance requirements, the digital experience, and other factors.

Barry Sloane, Founder, CEO, President, and Chairman of NewtekOne, commented, "We are extremely proud that Newtek Bank has been recognized both for its SBA lending strength and for its competitive deposit account offerings. Our involvement in the SBA lending programs spans more than twenty years, most of that time as a non-bank lender. With the acquisition of Newtek Bank in 2023, we successfully transitioned our SBA lending operations into the Bank, enabling us to complement our financial and business solutions with a full suite of deposit products. We designed our business and consumer deposit accounts to reward customers with attractive interest rates, no fees, knowledgeable and accessible customer service, and ease of opening accounts online. In our view, these qualities are increasingly essential in an environment where moving money can happen with a single click or swipe. We believe that the Bank's 4.6 score on [Trustpilot](#) is indicative of our high quality business solutions and the care that our staff provides to our independent business owner clientele."

Mr. Sloane concluded, "NewtekOne has always remained true to its mission: helping independent business owners across the United States become more successful by providing comprehensive business and financial solutions. It is gratifying to be recognized by The Coleman Report and NerdWallet for delivering solutions that help our clients thrive."

About NewtekOne, Inc.

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NewtekOne's and its subsidiaries' business and financial solutions include: [Banking \(Newtek Bank, N.A.\)](#), [Business Lending](#), [SBA Lending Solutions](#), [Electronic Payment Processing](#), [Accounts Receivable Financing & Inventory Financing](#), [Insurance Solutions](#) and [Payroll and Benefits Solutions](#). In addition, NewtekOne offers its clients the [Technology Solutions](#) (Cloud Computing, Data Backup, Storage and Retrieval, IT Consulting and Web Services) provided by Intelligent Protection Management Corp. (IPM.com)

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