# **ALVVA PRIVACY POLICY**

Alvva Financial, Inc [www.alvva.co)]("Alvva," "we," "us," or "our") recognizes, respects, and strives to protect the personal privacy rights of all our users, visitors, and customers ("you"). We are committed to providing security and privacy regarding the collection, use, and disclosure of your personal information.

The Privacy Policy explains how we collect, retain, share, and protect your personal information. We ask that you read it carefully.

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# 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION WE COLLECT

We collect information that identifies, relates to, describes, references, is capable of being associated with, or could reasonably be linked, directly or indirectly, with an individual consumer or device ("personal information").

#### 1.1. How We Obtain Your Personal Information:

Directly from you.	You enter or provide us with information,		
	whether online or by email, phone, or		
	document upload.		
	For example, your contact information that		
	you provide, an application for a loan, or		
	documents you provide to verify your		
	identity.		
Directly and indirectly from you based on	For example, from submissions through our		
activity on our website.	website or website usage details collected		
	automatically.		

From vendors or third-parties that interact	For example, companies that work with us to
with us in connection with the services we	market our products to you, credit reporting
perform.	agencies from which we check your credit in
	connection with our products and services,
	or other vendors that provide data we use in
	protecting you and our products from fraud
	and identity theft.

#### 1.2. How We Use Your Personal Information:

We may use or disclose the personal information we collect for one or more of the following business and commercial purposes:

- Performing services on behalf of us or by our service provider, including maintaining or servicing accounts, providing customer service, processing or fulfilling orders and transactions, verifying customer information, providing advertising or marketing services, providing analytic services, or providing similar services on behalf of us or by our service providers. This includes:
  - a. To fulfill or meet the reason for which the information is provided.
  - b. To provide you with information, products, or services that you request from us.
  - c. To provide you with email alerts and other notices concerning our products or services, or events or news, that may be of interest to you.
  - d. To carry out our obligations and enforce our rights arising from any contracts entered into between you and us, including for billing and collections.
- 2. Undertaking internal research for technological development and demonstration.
- 3. Debugging to identify and repair errors that impair existing intended functionality.
- 4. Detecting security incidents, protecting against malicious, deceptive, fraudulent, or illegal activity, and prosecuting those responsible for that activity.
- 5. Auditing related to a current interaction with the consumer and concurrent transactions, including, but not limited to, counting ad impressions to unique visitors, verifying positioning and quality of ad impressions, and auditing compliance with this specification and other standards.
- 6. Short-term, transient use, provided the personal information that is not disclosed to another third party and is not used to build a profile about a consumer or otherwise alter an individual consumer's experience outside the current interaction, including, but not limited to, the contextual customization of ads shown as part of the same interaction.
- 7. Undertaking activities to verify or maintain the quality or safety of a service or device that is owned, manufactured, manufactured for, or controlled by us, and to improve, upgrade, or enhance the service or device that is owned, manufactured, manufactured for, or controlled by us.

We will not collect additional categories of personal information or use the personal information we collected for materially different, unrelated, or incompatible purposes without providing you notice.

# 1.3. Who We Share Your Personal Information with for a Business or Commercial Purpose:

We may disclose your personal information to a service provider for a business or commercial purpose. When we disclose personal information for a business or commercial purpose, we enter a contract that describes the purpose and requires the service provider to both keep that personal information confidential and not use it for any purpose except performing the contract. Examples of who we share with include:

- Our affiliates and lending partners.
- Service providers.
- Third parties to whom you or your agents authorize us to disclose your personal information in connection with products or services we provide to you.

# 1.4. Within the last 12 months we collected the categories of personal information listed below and shared it as follows:

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CATEGORY	EXAMPLES	COLLECTE	SOURCES OF	BUSINESS OR	CATEGOR
		D	COLLECTED	COMMERCIAL	YOF
		(Yes/No)	PERSONAL	PURPOSE FOR	THIRD
			INFORMATION	SHARING	PARTIES
				(Section 1.3	
				#1-7, above)	
Α.	A real name,	YES	You,	#1, #2, #3,	Our
Identifiers.	alias, postal		Your activity	#4, #5	lending
	address, unique		on our site, or		partners,
	personal		from vendors		service
	identifier, online		and		providers
	identifier, Internet		third-parties		and
	Protocol address,				third-parti
	email address,				es
	account name,				
	Social Security				
	number, driver's				
	license number,				
	passport				
	number, or other				
	similar identifiers.				
B.	A name,	YES	You,	#1, #2, #3,	Our
Personal	signature, Social		Your activity	#4, #5	lending
information	Security number,		on our site, or		partners,
	physical		from vendors		service
	characteristics or		and		providers
	description,		third-parties		and
	address,				

	telephone				third-parti
	number,				es
	passport				
	number, driver's				
	license or state				
	identification				
	card number,				
	employment,				
	employment				
	history, bank				
	account number,				
	or any other				
	financial				
	information.				
	Some personal				
	information				
	included in this				
	category may				
	overlap with				
	other categories.				
c.	Age (40 years or	YES	You,	#1, #3, #5	Our
Protected	older), national		Your activity		lending
classification	origin, citizenship.		on our site, or		partners,
characteristi			from vendors		service
cs under			and		providers
California or			third-parties		and
federal law.					third-parti
_					es
D.	Records of	YES	You,	#1, #2, #5,	Our 
Commercial	personal		Your activity	#6	lending
information.	property,		on our site, or		partners,
	products or		from vendors		service
	services		and		providers
	purchased,		third-parties		and
	obtained, or				third-parti
	considered, or other purchasing				es
	or consuming				
	histories or				
	tendencies.				
E.	Current or past	YES	You,	#1, #2, #3, #5	Our
	job history or	1 1 2 3	100,	111, 112, 110, 110	lending
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Professional	performance		Your activity		partners,
or	evaluations.		on our site, or		service
employment			from vendors		providers
-related			and		and
information.			third-parties		third-parti
					es
F.	Mobile phone	Yes	You, Your	#1, #3, #5	SMS
Telecommun	number, SMS		activity on our		service
ications Data	consent records,		site		providers,
	message delivery				service
	data,				providers
	opt-in/opt-out				
	status,				
	communication				
	preferences				

# 1.5. Sale of Personal Information:

We do not and will not sell your personal information. We do not and will not sell the personal information of minors under 16 years of age without affirmative authorization.

# 1.6. SMS Messaging Data Collection and Use

# What Phone and Consent Data We Capture for SMS Messaging:

We collect and store the following information related to SMS messaging:

- Your mobile phone number
- Your explicit consent to receive SMS communications
- Date and time of consent
- SMS delivery status and engagement data (delivery confirmations, opt-out requests)
- Communication preferences and message frequency settings

#### **How We Obtain SMS Consent:**

During our client onboarding process, you provide express written consent to receive SMS messages by:

- Entering your mobile phone number in our intake form
- Actively checking an opt-in box that clearly describes the types of SMS messages you
  will receive (appointment reminders, case status updates, document deadline alerts,
  and time-sensitive immigration-related notifications)
- Acknowledging that message and data rates may apply

Understanding that you can opt out at any time by replying STOP

This consent is documented in your client file and service agreement. Consent is never pre-selected and requires your affirmative action.

#### How We Use Your Phone Number and SMS Consent Data:

We use your mobile phone number and consent data solely for the following purposes:

- Sending appointment reminders for consultations and document review meetings
- Providing time-sensitive notifications about immigration filing deadlines
- Delivering case status updates and USCIS-related alerts
- Sending reminders to submit required documentation
- Confirming scheduled appointments
- Communicating important updates about immigration policy changes that may affect your application
- Processing opt-out requests and managing communication preferences
- Maintaining records of consent for compliance purposes

We do not use your phone number for unsolicited marketing, promotional offers, or any purpose other than those explicitly consented to during onboarding.

#### Who We Share Your SMS Data With:

Your mobile phone number and SMS consent data may be shared with:

- **SMS Service Providers:** Third-party vendors who facilitate SMS message delivery on our behalf (e.g., Twilio, Intercom, or similar platforms). These providers are contractually obligated to use your data solely for delivering messages and are prohibited from using it for any other purpose.
- Our Affiliates: In limited cases where coordination is necessary for your immigration services
- **Service Providers:** Technology vendors who help us maintain our client management systems and ensure secure data storage

We do **not** sell, rent, or share your phone number or SMS consent data with unaffiliated third parties for their marketing purposes. All third parties with access to your SMS data are bound by strict confidentiality agreements and must comply with applicable telecommunications laws, including the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA).

# **Your SMS Rights:**

- You can opt out of SMS messages at any time by replying STOP to any message
- You can request help by replying HELP to any message

- You can update your mobile phone number or communication preferences by contacting us at apoyo@alvva.co or 1-650-397-8890
- Message frequency varies based on your case activity
- Standard message and data rates may apply based on your mobile carrier's plan

#### 2. YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA CONSUMER PRIVACY ACT OF 2018

Section 2 of this Privacy Policy applies solely to visitors, users, customers, and others who reside in the State of California ("consumers"). In addition to the disclosures provided in Sections 1, 3, and 4, we adopt Section 2 of this Privacy Policy to comply with the California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018 ("CCPA") and other California privacy laws. Any terms defined in the CCPA have the same meaning when used in this policy.

The CCPA provides consumers (California residents) with specific rights regarding their personal information. This section describes your CCPA rights and explains how to exercise those rights.

# 2.1. For purposes of the CCPA, personal information does not include:

- Publicly available information from government records
- De-identified or aggregated consumer information
- Information excluded from the CCPA, like:
  - o health or medical information covered by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and the California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act (CMIA) or clinical trial data;
  - o personal information covered by certain sector-specific privacy laws, including the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA) or California Financial Information Privacy Act (FIPA), and the Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994

#### 2.2. Right to Know and Data Portability Rights:

You have the right to request that we disclose certain information to you about our collection and use of your personal information over the past 12 months. Once we receive and confirm your verifiable consumer request for access, we will disclose to you:

- The categories of personal information we collected about you.
- The categories of sources for the personal information we collected about you.
- Our business or commercial purpose for collecting that personal information.
- The categories of third parties with whom we share that personal information.
- The specific pieces of personal information we collected about you (also called a data portability request).
- If we disclosed your personal information for a business purpose, a list identifying the personal information categories that each category of recipient obtained.

We may deny your request for access if we are unable to verify your identity or have reason to believe that the request is fraudulent. We may also deny your request if the personal information is subject to an exemption under Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA), California Financial Information Privacy Act (FIPA), or the Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994 (DPPA).

#### 2.3. Right to Delete:

You have the right to request that we delete any of your personal information that we collected and retained, subject to certain exceptions. Once we receive and confirm your verifiable consumer request, we will delete, de-identify, or aggregate (and direct our service providers to do the same) your personal information from our records, unless an exception or exemption applies.

We may deny your deletion request if retaining the personal information is necessary for us or our service providers to:

- Complete the transaction for which the personal information was collected, provide a
  good or service requested by the consumer, or reasonably anticipated within the
  context of a business's ongoing business relationship with the consumer, or otherwise
  perform a contract between the business and the consumer.
- Detect security incidents, protect against malicious, deceptive, fraudulent, or illegal activity; or prosecute those responsible for that activity.
- Debug to identify and repair errors that impair existing intended functionality.
- Exercise free speech, ensure the right of another consumer to exercise his or her right of free speech, or exercise another right provided for by law.
- Comply with the California Electronic Communications Privacy Act pursuant to Chapter 3.6 (commencing with Section 1546) of Title 12 of Part 2 of the Penal Code.
- Engage in public or peer-reviewed scientific, historical, or statistical research in the
  public interest that adheres to all other applicable ethics and privacy laws, when the
  businesses' deletion of the information is likely to render impossible or seriously impair
  the achievement of such research, if the consumer has provided informed consent.
- To enable solely internal uses that are reasonably aligned with the expectations of the consumer based on the consumer's relationship with the business.
- Comply with a legal obligation.
- Otherwise use the consumer's personal information, internally, in a lawful manner that is compatible with the context in which the consumer provided the information.
- The personal information is subject to an exemption under Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA), California Financial Information Privacy Act (FIPA), or the Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994 (DPPA).

Additionally, we may deny your request to delete if we are unable to verify your identity or have reason to believe that the request is fraudulent.

#### 2.4. Right to Opt-Out:

You have the right to opt-out of the sale of your personal information. However, we do not and will not sell your personal information. We do not and will not sell the Personal Information of minors under 16 years of age without affirmative authorization.

# 2.5. Right to Non-Discrimination:

We will not discriminate against you for exercising any of your CCPA rights. Unless permitted by the CCPA, we will not:

- Deny you goods or services.
- Charge you different prices or rates for goods or services, including through granting discounts or other benefits, or imposing penalties.
- Provide you a different level or quality of goods or services.
- Suggest that you may receive a different price or rate for goods or services or a different level or quality of goods or services.

# 2.6. Exercising Right to Know, Data Portability, and Right to Delete:

To exercise the access, data portability, and deletion rights described above, please submit a verifiable consumer request to us by either:

Calling us at: 1-909-294-2545 Contacting: support@alvva.co

Only 1) you, 2) a person authorized by you to act on your behalf, or 3) an entity registered with the California Secretary of State and authorized by you to act on your behalf, may make a verifiable consumer request related to your personal information.

You may only make a verifiable consumer request for access (aka Right to Know) or data portability twice within a 12-month period. The verifiable consumer request must:

- Provide sufficient information that allows us to reasonably verify you are the person about whom we collected personal information or an authorized representative. Given the sensitivity of your personal information that we collect and retain, we will need to verify your identity with at least 3 separate pieces of information such as name, address, account number, date of birth, last 4 of your Social Security Number, phone number, etc. If you are submitting a data portability request, you will be required to submit a declaration under the penalty of perjury stating that you are requesting information on behalf of yourself.
- Describe your request with sufficient detail that allows us to properly understand, evaluate, and respond to it.

#### 2.7. Authorized Agents:

Before we can respond to a verifiable consumer request submitted by an authorized agent, we need to confirm not only that person or entity's authority to act on behalf of a consumer and verify the identity of the authorized agent. If you are authorized to submit a request on

behalf of a California resident, please email us at support@alvva.co and provide the following information:

- 1. To verify your authorization to request on behalf of a California resident, please attach a copy of <u>one or more</u> of the following to your request email:
  - California Secretary of State authorization,
  - written permission from the California resident, or
  - power of attorney
- 2. To verify your identity, please attach copies of the following to your request email:
  - Valid Government Issued ID (not expired) AND
  - a utility bill, bank statement, or similar documentation to verify your name and address (account numbers can be redacted)
- 3. To verify the identity of the consumer for whom you are submitting the request, please attach **two or more** of the following with your request email (three or more are required when requesting a copy of the consumer's personal information):
  - Valid Government Issued ID (not expired),
  - utility bill,
  - bank statement,
  - email address,
  - last 4 of the SSN or
  - last 4 of the account number

We cannot respond to your request or provide you with personal information if we cannot verify your identity or authority to make the request and confirm the personal information relates to you.

We will only use personal information provided in a verifiable consumer request to verify the requestor's identity or authority to make the request.

# 2.8. Response Timing and Delivery Method:

We will acknowledge receipt of the request within 10 days of its receipt. We will respond to a verifiable consumer request within 45 days of its receipt. If we require more time (up to 90 days), we will inform you of the reason and extension period in writing. Any disclosures we provide will only cover the 12-month period preceding the verifiable consumer request's receipt. The response we provide will also explain the reasons we cannot comply with a request, if applicable. For data portability requests, we will provide the responsive information in a portable and, to the extent technically feasible, in a readily useable format that allows you to transmit the information to another entity without hindrance. We will deliver our written response by mail or electronically, at your option.

We do not charge a fee to process or respond to your verifiable consumer request unless it is excessive, repetitive, or manifestly unfounded. If we determine that the request warrants a

fee, we will tell you why we made that decision and provide you with a cost estimate before completing your request.

#### 3. COOKIES AND WEBSITE TRACKERS

Network advertisers that we partner with may use data collected on this site to customize ads to you on other web sites as you browse the web. Some of these ads are targeted to your interests and preferences based on your browsing history, which is stored in a cookie on your computer. Your browsing history on our site may be tracked in these cookies even if ads are not being displayed. These cookies do not contain your name or other personal information about you. For more information, or to opt out of this type of information collection, please visit: www.alvva.co

# 3.1. What is a cookie?

A cookie is a small text file that a website saves on your device when you visit our website. Cookies are then sent back to the originating website on each subsequent visit, or to another website that recognizes that cookie, to develop a record of your online activity. Cookies on our website may be delivered in a first party (set by the website) or third party (set by another website) context and may also be set in association with emails you receive from us.

Cookies help us enhance your experience when using our website. They also help us understand how people use our site, such as which pages are most popular, so that we can better serve you.

#### 3.2. Cookies used on our website

#### 3.2.1. Essential cookies

These cookies are essential for enabling your use of our website and providing access to features such as your profile, account information, and other secure areas of our website. These cookies do not gather information about you that could be used for marketing purposes and do not remember where you have been on the Internet. This category of cookies cannot be disabled.

# 3.2.2. Analytics cookies

We use cookies from service providers to collect information about how visitors use our website. These cookies collect aggregated information to give us insight into how our website is being used. We anonymize IP addresses in these services, and the anonymized data is transmitted and stored by the service providers.

To view an overview of the privacy of your Google Analytics cookies please go here: <a href="https://support.google.com/analytics/answer/6004245">https://support.google.com/analytics/answer/6004245</a>.

You may install a Google Analytics Opt-Out Browser Add-On by going here: <a href="https://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout">https://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout</a>.

# 3.2.3. Third party website cookies

Third party cookies are cookies set by someone other than us for purposes such as collecting information on your behavior, demographics, or personalized marketing. When using our website, you may encounter embedded content or you may be directed to other websites. The other websites and embedded content may use their own cookies. We do not have control over the placement of cookies by other websites, even if you are directed to them from our Site.

#### 3.2.4. How to control and delete cookies

Many of the cookies on our website can be enabled or disabled through your browser. To disable cookies through your browser, follow the instructions usually located within the "Help," "Tools," or "Edit" menus in your browser. Please note that disabling a cookie or category of cookies does not delete the cookie from your browser unless manually completed through your browser function.

#### 4. THIRD PARTY DATA PROCESSING

Alvva is committed to fully complying with the laws and regulations, such as the Fair Credit Reporting Act, The Right to Financial Privacy Act, and the California Financial Information Privacy Act (Chapter 241, Statues of 2003) which became law on July 1, 2004 as "Division 1.2" of the Financial Code (sections 4050 et seq.) that have been established to protect the confidentiality of customer information. For individual principal shareholders, officers, and directors, if we obtain and use information from a third party, other than the government, such as a consumer report, we will notify you. If you consent to have Alvva request your financial data directly from your financial institution, we may work with a third party, such as Plaid, to access and collect such data on our behalf. By providing your information to the third party, you acknowledge and agree that information accessed, collected, or transmitted by the third party for this purpose will be governed by the privacy policy of the third party. Plaid's privacy policy is available at <a href="https://plaid.com/leaal">https://plaid.com/leaal</a>. You are entitled to request credit reporting agencies to remove your name from lists supplied to us. All of our operations and data processing systems are in a secure environment that protects your account from being accessed by third parties. You may elect to provide us with personal information through the use of mail. We continue to monitor and review the privacy measures that we have in place to protect customer information. These measures are updated as practices change and new technology becomes available.

# 5. DO NOT CALL POLICY

This Privacy Policy constitutes the Company's Do Not Call Policy under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act for all consumers. Alvva maintains an internal Do Not Call preference list. Do Not Call requests will be honored within 30 days and will be effective for at

least five years from the date of request. No telemarketing calls will be made to residential or cellular phone numbers that appear on the Alvva Do Not Call list.

#### 6. MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS OPT-OUT

Marketing Communications Opt Out. You can choose to no longer receive e-mail marketing communications from us and you may express your choice where indicated on the applicable email or click here to opt out. To opt out of direct mail send your request with your name and address to: 400 Concar Dr, Suite 03-128, San Mateo, CA 94402. Please note, however, that such requests will only remove you from our list and the list of any non-affiliate performing services on our behalf. We are not responsible for the use any other party may make of the information once it has been transferred in accordance with this Privacy Policy and you will need to contact such entity to have your information removed from their database.

#### 7. CHANGES TO OUR PRIVACY POLICY

We reserve the right to amend this Privacy Policy at our discretion and at any time. When we make changes to this Privacy Policy, we will notify you by email or through a notice on our website homepage.

# 8. HOW TO CONTACT US

If you have any questions or comments about this policy, the ways in which we collect and use your personal information, your rights regarding such use, or wish to exercise your rights under California law, please do not hesitate to contact us at:

Privacy Support Phone: +1 (909) 294-2545
Privacy Support E-Mail: support@alvva.co
Website: www.alvva.co

Postal Address: 400 Concar Dr, Suite 03-128, San Mateo, CA 94402

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