# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 13, 2015

## StoneCastle Financial Corp.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**333-189307** (Commission File Number)

**90-0934878** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**152 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 35<sup>th</sup> floor, New York, NY** (Address of principal executive offices)

**10019** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 354-6500

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### <u>Item 2.02</u> Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 13, 2015 the registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2015. The text of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The information disclosed under this item 2.02 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act of 1933, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

<u>Item 9.01</u>	Financial Statements and Exhibits.	
(d) Exhibits:		

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Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated <u>August 13, 2015</u>

### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STONECASTLE FINANCIAL CORP.

Date: <u>August 13, 2015</u>

By: /s/ <u>Patrick J. Farrell</u> Name: Patrick J. Farrell Title: Chief Financial Officer

## Exhibit Index

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release, Dated <u>August 13, 2015</u>



### StoneCastle Financial Corp. Reports Second Quarter 2015 Results

NEW YORK, August 13, 2015 – StoneCastle Financial Corp. (Nasdaq: BANX) ("StoneCastle Financial" or the "Company"), an investment company registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), today announced results for the second fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2015.

#### **Second Quarter 2015 Investment Highlights:**

- Invested \$24.0 million in debt and equity in 4 investments
- Received repayment of \$4.2 million from 4 investments
- Received paydown of \$4.0 million from MMCapS Funding I

#### Highlighted investment activity in the second quarter 2015 included:

- \$10.0 million in First Citizens Bancshares, Inc. Subordinated Term Loan, 8.625%, due June 2025
- \$6.0 million in Country Bank Holding Company, Inc., Subordinated Debenture, 8.50%, due May 2025
- \$1.0 million in Williams Holding Company, Inc., Subordinated Term Loan, 8.75%, due June 2025

A complete listing of investments as of the end of the quarter can be found in the Company's N-CSR report.

At June 30, 2015, the estimated current yield generated by the Invested Portfolio (excluding cash and cash equivalents) was approximately 8.35%.

#### **Second Quarter 2015 Financial Results**

Total earnings for the second quarter were \$3,382,421 or \$0.52 per share. Net investment income was \$2,345,457 or \$0.36 per share, comprised of \$3,954,180 in gross income and \$1,608,723 of expenses. Realized capital gains were \$1,036,964 or \$0.16 per share.

Net Assets at quarter end were \$143.5 million, up from \$142.5 million the previous quarter, and the Company's Net Asset Value was \$22.05 per share, up \$0.15 from the prior quarter. The value of the invested portfolio value decreased \$0.04 per share.

The Company paid a quarterly cash distribution of \$0.33 per share on June 29, 2015 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 19, 2015.

The Company had drawn \$38.5 million on its total \$70 million credit facility, which represents approximately 20% of total assets. According to regulated investment company rules, the Company may borrow only up to 33.3% of its total assets.

#### **Portfolio and Investment Summary**

As of the close of business on June 30, 2015, the Company had total assets of \$193.0 million, consisting of total investments of \$186.3 million, cash of \$4.0 million, and other assets of \$2.7 million. Other assets includes interest and dividends receivable of \$1.8 million and prepaid assets of \$0.9 million.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2015, the Company invested \$24.0 million in debt and equity. The Company received repayment from calls totaling \$4.2 million from 4 investments and a paydown of \$4.0 million from MMCapS Funding I.

#### **Quarterly Conference Call**

StoneCastle Financial will host a webcast and conference call August 13, 2015 at 5:00 pm Eastern time.

The conference call can be accessed by dialing 1-877-407-9039 for domestic callers or 1-201-689-8470 for international callers. Participants may also access the call via live webcast by visiting StoneCastle Financial's investor relations website at <a href="https://www.stonecastle-financial.com">www.stonecastle-financial.com</a>. To listen to a live broadcast, go to the website at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time in order to register, download and install any necessary audio software. A replay will be available shortly after the call and be available through midnight (Eastern Time) on August 27, 2015. The replay can be accessed by dialing 1-877-870-5176 for domestic callers or 1-858-384-5517 for

international callers. The passcode for the replay is 13610834. The archive of the webcast will be available on the Company's website for a limited time.

#### About StoneCastle Financial Corp.

StoneCastle Financial is an SEC registered non-diversified, closed-end management investment company listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "BANX." StoneCastle Financial intends to make long-term, passive, non-control investments in community banks seeking capital for organic growth, acquisitions, share repurchases and other refinancing activities. Its investment objective is to provide current income and, to a lesser extent, capital appreciation. StoneCastle Financial is managed by StoneCastle Asset Management LLC.

#### **Disclaimer and Risk Factors:**

There is no assurance that StoneCastle Financial will achieve its investment objective. StoneCastle Financial is subject to numerous risks, including investment and market risks, management risk, income and interest rate risks, banking industry risks, preferred stock risk, convertible securities risk, debt securities risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, leverage risk, non-diversification risk, credit and counterparty risks, market discount from net asset value risk and market disruption risk. Shares of closed-end investment companies may trade above (a premium) or below (a discount) their net asset value. Shares of StoneCastle Financial may not be appropriate for all investors. Investors should review and consider carefully StoneCastle Financial's investment objective, risks, charges and expenses. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Learn more at www.stonecastle-financial.com.

The Annual Report, Semi-Annual Report and other regulatory filings of the Company with the SEC are accessible on the SEC's website at <a href="https://www.stonecastle-financial.com">www.stonecastle-financial.com</a>, and may discuss these or other factors that affect the Company.

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## STONECASTLE FINANCIAL CORP.

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities (unaudited)

	J	une 30, 2015	M	arch 31, 2015
Assets				
Investments in securities, at fair value (cost: \$186,099,598 and \$166,799,538 respectively)	\$	186,349,630	\$	167,342,080
Receivable for securities sold		_		8,018,440
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(1)</sup>		4,003,914		8,568,826
Interest and dividends receivable		1,781,948		1,330,453
Prepaid assets		892,256		916,789
Total assets		193,027,748		186,176,588
Liabilities				
Loan payable		38,500,000		33,000,000
Payable for securities purchased		10,000,000		9,328,625
Investment advisory fee payable (2)		668,586		631,676
Loan interest payable		49,963		2,753
Directors fee payable		6,670		3,250
Offering expenses payable		_		48,047
Accrued expenses payable		295,923		660,672
Total liabilities		49,521,142		43,675,023
Net Assets	\$	143,506,606	\$	142,501,565
Net Assets consist of:				
Common stock at par (\$0.001 per share)		6,509		6,506
Paid-in-capital		145,715,072		145,653,043
Distributions in excess of net investment income		(4,444,820)		(4,643,375)
Accumulated net realized gain on investments		1,979,813		942,849
Net unrealized appreciation on investments		250,032		542,542
Net Assets	\$	143,506,606	\$	142,501,565
Net Asset Value Per Share:				
Common Stock Shares Outstanding		6,509,375		6,505,767
Net asset value per common share		22.05	\$	21.90
Market price per share	<u>\$</u> \$	17.30	\$	17.97
Market price premium / (discount) to net asset value per share	<del>*</del>	-21.54%		-17.95%

Includes \$3,500,000 of restricted cash held in a segregated account at Texas Capital Bank to cover collateral requirements. Investment advisory fee payable net of waiver for June 30, 2015 and March 31, 2015 of \$173,596 and \$171,689 respectively.

## STONECASTLE FINANCIAL CORP.

## **Statement of Operations** (unaudited)

	Month	For The Six Months Ended June 30, 2015		For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2015	
Investment Income				_	
Dividends	\$	3,678,963	\$	1,916,484	
Interest		3,422,882		2,004,932	
Origination fee income		27,709		12,764	
Other income		48,010		20,000	
Total Investment Income		7,177,564		3,954,180	
Expenses					
Investment advisory fees (1)		1,645,547		842,182	
Interest expense		615,588		371,205	
ABA marketing and licensing fees		250,000		125,000	
Professional fees		176,202		96,941	
Transfer agent, custodian fees and administrator fees		132,152		65,619	
Due diligence expense		104,537		76,528	
Directors' fees		90,169		45,169	
Bank fees		67,275		26,157	
Investor relations fees		59,549		29,849	
Insurance expense		44,939		22,439	
Miscellaneous fees		133,116		81,230	
Total expenses before waivers		3,319,074		1,782,319	
Less: Advisory fee waiver <sup>(2)</sup>		(345,285)		(173,596)	
Net expenses after waivers		2,973,789		1,608,723	
Net Investment Income		4,203,775		2,345,457	
Realized and Unrealized Gain on Investments					
Net realized gain on investments		1,979,813		1,036,964	
Net change in unrealized depreciation on investments		439,702		(292,510)	
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	\$	2,419,515	\$	744,454	
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting From Operations	\$	6,623,290	\$	3,089,911	

Investment advisory fee reflects gross contractual fee.
Investment advisory fee waiver reflects waiver of fees related to proceeds of issuance of common stock issued on November 7, 2014 and December 2, 2014. In previous quarters, this waiver was shown net against investment advisor fees.

## STONECASTLE FINANCIAL CORP.

## **Financial Highlights** (unaudited)

	Months E	For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2015	
Per Share Operating Performance		_	
Net Asset Value, beginning of period	\$	21.90	
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup>		0.36	
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments <sup>(1)</sup>		0.12	
Total from investment operations		0.48	
Less distributions to shareholders			
From net investment income		(0.33)	
Total distributions		(0.33)	
Net asset value, end of period	\$	22.05	
Per share market value, end of period	\$	17.30	
Total investment return based on market value <sup>(2)</sup>		-1.88%	
Ratios and Supplemental Data			
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	<u>\$</u>	143.5	
Ratios (as a percentage of net assets):			
Expenses before waivers (3)(7)		5.00%	
Expenses after waivers $^{(3)(4)(8)}$		4.51%	
Net investment income <sup>(3)(9)</sup>		6.58%	
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(5)</sup>		5%	
Revolving Credit Agreement			
Total revolving credit agreement outstanding (000's)	\$	38,500	
Asset coverage per \$1,000 for revolving credit agreement <sup>(6)</sup>		4,727	

Based on the average shares outstanding during quarter.

(2) (3) (4) (5) (6) Based on share market price and reinvestment of distributions at the price obtained under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan. Total return does not include sales load and offering expenses.

Excluding interest expense, the ratio would have been 3.47%.

Ratio of net investment income to managed assets equals 5.06%.

Not annualized
Calculated by subtracting the Company's total liabilities (excluding the loan) from the Company's total assets and dividing the amount by the loan outstanding in 000's.
Ratio of expenses after waivers to managed assets equals 3.85%.
Ratio of expenses after waivers to managed assets equals 3.47%.