

**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):

January 3, 2017 (January 3, 2017)

CAPITALA FINANCE CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

814-01022
(Commission File Number)

90-0945675
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4201 Congress St., Suite 360
Charlotte, NC 28209
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(704) 376-5502**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
-

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 3, 2017, Capitala Finance Corp. issued a press release announcing its monthly distributions for the months of January, February and March of 2017, the text of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information disclosed under this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, 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.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.**Description**

99.1

Press release dated January 3, 2017

SIGNATURES

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.

Date: January 3, 2017

CAPITALA FINANCE CORP.

By: /s/ Stephen A. Arnall
Stephen A. Arnall
Chief Financial Officer



Capitala Finance Corp. Announces Distributions

CHARLOTTE, N.C., January 3, 2017 -- Capitala Finance Corp. (the “Company”, “our”, or “Capitala”) (Nasdaq:CPTA) declared normal distributions for the first quarter of 2017.

First Quarter 2017 Distributions

On January 3, 2017, the Company’s Board of Directors declared normal monthly distributions for the first quarter of 2017 as set forth below:

<u>Record Date</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Amount Per Share</u>
1/20/17	1/30/17	\$0.13
2/20/17	2/27/17	\$0.13
3/23/17	3/30/17	\$0.13

The Company has adopted an opt-out distribution reinvestment plan (“DRIP”) that provides for reinvestment of distributions on behalf of its shareholders, unless a shareholder elects to receive cash. As a result, when the Company declares a cash distribution, shareholders who have not opted out of the DRIP will have their cash distributions automatically reinvested in additional shares of the Company’s common stock, rather than receiving cash.

About Capitala Finance Corp.

Capitala Finance Corp. is a business development company that invests primarily in traditional mezzanine, senior subordinated and unitranche debt, as well as senior and second-lien loans and, to lesser extent, equity securities issued by lower and traditional middle-market companies. The Company is managed by Capitala Investment Advisors, LLC. For more information on Capitala, or to automatically receive email notifications of Company financial information, press releases, stock alerts, or other corporate filings, please visit the Investor Relations section of our website.

About Capitala Group

Capitala Group is a leading provider of capital to lower and traditional middle market companies, through its family of credit focused funds. Since 1998, Capitala Group's managed funds have participated in over 138 transactions, representing over \$1.3 billion of investments in a variety of industries throughout North America. Capitala Group manages both public capital (Capitala Finance Corp.) (Nasdaq:CPTA) and private capital (Capitala Private Credit Fund V, L.P. and CapitalSouth SBIC Fund IV, L.P.) for institutional and individual investors, and seeks to partner with strong management teams to create value and serve as long term partners. For more information, please visit www.CapitalaGroup.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements. Words such as “believes,” “intends,” “expects,” “projects,” “anticipates,” and “future” or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, condition or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including those described from time to time in the Company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

SOURCE: Capitala Finance Corp.

Capitala Finance Corp.
Stephen Arnall, Chief Financial Officer
704-376-5502
sarnall@capitalagroup.com
