

SUCCESS STORY

Pastime Bar and Lounge

CHINOOK, MT



BACKGROUND

Having run a successful restaurant out of Fort Belknap, Pricilla Heflin was ready for a new challenge. She began looking to purchase a restaurant along the hi-line and discovered that the Pastime Bar and Lounge in Chinook was for sale. The property had an attached restaurant but it had not been in operation for many years. Pricilla wanted to own it, and set out to fulfill her goal.



ASSISTANCE

Joe LaPlante, Director of the Havre SBDC, met with Pricilla to formulate her business plan, business structures, financial projections and loan application. Pricilla also requested Joe's assistance to go over the menu, pricing, area demographics, and industry standards. After a short time Pricilla received the loan needed to start Pastime, and Joe was able to help begin another business in the Havre region.



IMPACT

From here, Pricilla plans to remodel so she can open Tymbuk 2 Cafe. The Cafe will feature entrees for breakfast, lunch and dinner— from basic bacon and eggs, to the classic T-bone steak. Priscilla plans to employ two full-time employees and four part-time employees, proving the Havre SBDC has great economic impact in their region.



“Pricilla is hard working and eager to share information on owning a business to anyone who may be looking at starting one for themselves.”

-Joe LaPlante, Havre SBDC Director

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