

ENTREPRENEUR SPOTLIGHT

Project Outcomes:

(June 2, 2003 to April 30, 2008)

- ◆ Total Clients Assisted: **437**
- ◆ Businesses Started: **33**
- ◆ Businesses Expanded: **12**
- ◆ Jobs Created: **120**
- ◆ Businesses Retained: **8**
- ◆ Jobs Retained: **36**
- ◆ Tune-Ups of Existing Businesses: **49**

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Enterprise Facilitation Client Updates

This month, we highlight recent developments in several businesses that received start-up assistance from Enterprise Facilitation.

All Around Sweets, 317 Pennsylvania, Holton, KS now offers a full line of coffee and espresso drinks in addition to their homemade candies and pies. They have also expanded their store hours to better accommodate morning coffee drinkers.

Kickin Bull Ranch, Hoyt, KS is offering their grass-fed beef each Tuesday evening at the Merriam Organic Market in Merriam, KS. The ranch has also become an independent AMSOIL and AGGRAND dealer as part of their ongoing quest for a “green” operation. You can learn more about both new ventures at: www.kickinbullranch.com.

Potter Country Store & Bakery, Potter, KS held a

customer appreciation day on June 21st. While an annual event, the day was especially significant this year as it represented the first appreciation day since the reopening of the store following a devastating fire in December 2006. Owner Linda Milner asked customers attending the event to donate funds toward the purchase of protective equipment for the local fire department as a special thanks for their help fighting the blaze.

Enterprise Facilitation Timeline (Part 2)

2006, continued:

- ◆ March—Participated in HCC Career Fair.
- ◆ June—Completed third year of operation (289 clients served and 34 new, expanded, or retained businesses representing 86 jobs).

2007:

- ◆ March—Participated in KNZA Home, Garden, & Sports Expo with 9 client businesses.
- ◆ June—Completed year four with 369 clients served and 42 businesses,

representing 127 jobs, created, expanded or retained.

2008:

- ◆ March—Participated in KNZA Home, Garden, & Sports Expo with 6 client businesses.



Enterprise Facilitation and Client Displays at the 2008 Home, Garden, & Sports Expo

- ◆ April—Participated in Kaw Area Technical School’s Career Fair.
- ◆ June—Five years completed. See outcomes in left column.

Upcoming Events:

July 10, 2008

6:00 pm - Board Meeting at the Glacial Hills Enterprise Center, 334 2nd St., Wetmore, KS.

September 27, 2008

4:00 to 7:00 pm - Five-Year Celebration at the Fisher Community Center, Hiawatha, KS.