

To Whom it May Concern:

We are writing to show our support for the SEVCA micro business and IDA programs. We were fortunate enough to take part in the program in 2018 while we were just starting our small business in West Dover, VT. At the time, we were catering for 10-12 private parties a year as well as doing 4-5 festivals at Mount Snow making street tacos out of a tent. Since then we have grown to do 30-40 private events a year and 10-12 festivals, as well as doing other pop-ups with businesses in the valley. All of this while being depending on other part-time or full-time jobs as well.

Our business is at the point that it's ready to take the next step and become independent. Our plan is to purchase a food truck to increase our reach of festivals and have mobile kitchen to cater out of. It was only with the help of the SEVCA programs that we were able to save enough money to purchase most of the equipment that will be used in the truck and become invaluable over the next few years as we continue to grow our business.

Vermont is a very small-business friendly state with much support from the local population. Having tools like the SEVCA small business and IDA programs can be an asset to starting and growing more businesses that help make this state unique.

Sincerely,

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