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JUMP START COMPETITION PROGRAM APPLICATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2018 @ 4:00PM

Form submission:

via email to OED@co.ulster.ny.us or UCEDA 244 Fair Street PO Box 1800, Kingston, NY 12402

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Applicant Name: Arkady Aleksandryants

Business Name (if applicable): Arkadiya Distillery

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Applicant is the: Proposed New Business Existing Business

What type of business are you proposing: Proposing local distillery business

What do you do now? I am consultant and owner of IT Firm Taleks Info Systems Inc. In addition to this, I have also been working on Arkadiya Distillery for the last year.

What type of business experience do you have? Have you started a business before?

I have started IT Firm Taleks Info Systems Inc. and have been managing it for 20+ years. Arkadiya Distillery has also been started and managed by myself since its conception one year ago.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Please briefly describe what you intend to use the grant funds for, if awarded. Include a description of special finishes and your fit-out as well as an early projection of the costs of the project. Attach additional sheet as necessary.

Since the opening of Arkadiya Distillery, the quality of the product has driven demand beyond the distillery's capacity to produce supply. Every investment henceforth has been aimed to increase the efficiency and ability of the distillery to meet the unprecedented demand. A total budget of 200,000 dollars would be associated with equipment, construction, renting, and other resource costs in order to induce a marginal increase in scale. Funds from the grant would profoundly contribute to reaching the outlined budget and directly increase production capacity via construction of additional infrastructure, operational space, and resources. This would result in the project's improved ability to generate revenue that would further go towards developing and staffing the distillery project.

Why is this business appropriate and consistent with the business climate of the Village of Ellenville and/or surrounding areas?

The Arkadiya Distillery is a small farm distillery that is a fully approved business operating from a garage. The Arkadiya Distillery stimulates the local economy by mainly supplying local stores and bars. The local economy is also stimulated as apples, corn, and other crops used are all farmed locally. Access to the NYC market is in progress in order to increase publicity. Ultimately, the goal is to open a full scale distillery, taproom, and adjoining restaurant in Ellenville / The Town of Wawarsing staffed by our very own people. Tours of Whiskey crafting will be held at the facilities, driving tourism and education from all over New York State as well as the country to the main streets, restaurants, and hotels of Ellenville and the Town of Wawarsing, further stimulating the local economy and contributing to the rich historical culture of our home.

How many jobs will this project create?

Arkadiya Distillery Project will create 10+ jobs in the near future. With the taproom, restaurant, and distillery in Ellenville, it is projected to create 30+ local jobs.

What gives you the confidence this is a project you can undertake successfully? Do you have any partners? If yes, please identify them.

At the moment, the project is being run individually but may be open to include partners in the future. Many professional advisors are consulted daily order to ensure the proper steps are being taken for project Arcadiya Distillery to develop as efficiently as possible. My passion for hand-crafting authentic products and my experience in successfully owning and managing of IT Firm Taleks Info Systems Inc. for 20+ years further reinforces the confidence that I have in the success of project Arkadiya Distillery.

Tell us why you believe you can open by December 2018?

The Distillery itself is already operational and would expand greatly if allotted the Jump Start Competition Grant fund. Immediate goals would include the expansion of the already operational distillery and the opening of a taproom and restaurant. The expansions would directly correlate to increased jobs and attraction of tourism to the Village of Ellenville/ Town of Wawarsing area.



Signature of Applicant

5/31/18

Date of Application