



Galvanizing a New Business

Kentucky Buildings Campton, Kentucky

Wolfe County, Kentucky native Robert Hounshell is a young man who worked his way up through the manufacturing business he previously worked for, from machine maintenance to management. Before closing the business for retirement, the former owner offered his managers the first opportunity to purchase the business. Robert took over management of the business through a lease agreement in 2009. Now named Kentucky Buildings, LLC, the business manufactures metal buildings and steel mainframe trusses for customers throughout the country. There are six full-time employees.

With Small Business Administration funds, MACED extended a \$35,000 loan in 2010 to help finance the purchase of raw steel inventory, such as galvanized iron steel doors and fasteners, at a discounted price. The purchase will help grow the business by expanding its production capabilities and generating a higher level of sales.

Development Impact

3 jobs retained.

Growth of new businesses supported.

Distressed county business supported.

MACED works with people in eastern Kentucky and Central Appalachia to create economic opportunity, strengthen democracy and support the sustainable use of natural resources.



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