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New York—Rural Business Service

Food Systems

USDA Rural Development grant helps local dairy farm

Outline of need:

Kriemhild Dairy Farms was started in 2008, in part with multiple grants, including assistance from the USDA Value Added Producer Grant, which provided the funding for the preliminary planning phases for marketing and production.

Kriemhild provides a service to rural America and local stores by producing butter made from grass grazed cows.

Although the company is able to segregate, separate, pasteurize, and process their butter, they are only able to package it in 2, 5, and 10 lb. containers.

How Rural Development Helped:

USDA Rural Development through its Rural Energy for America Program provided a grant of \$55,600 to Kriemhild Dairy Farms. This grant adds to the overall contribution of \$72,600 the USDA Rural Development made. The funding will be used to buy 8. oz containers that will make their product more consumer-friendly.

New York Rural Developments assistance to Madison County's economic development has created opportunities such as this, for rural businesses to grow and prosper. Over the years Rural Development has contributed over \$90,000 to Madison county.



Kriemhild's Grass Grazed Cows Roam Fresh! Gala

Photo credit: Christopher Stewart, Special Projects Coordinator

Fast Facts:

Program: Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG)

Investment: \$55,600 grant

Partners: Kriemhild Dairy Farms

Demographics: According to the 2007 census, Madison County has a population of 297944

Impact: More consumer-friendly containers, better business, more jobs for rural America.

The Results:

Kriemhild's Butter that comes from grass grazed cows has a unique taste to it that makes it stand out from other butters. Rural Development has provided them the opportunity to compete not only on a local scale but eventually on a more world-wide scale.

The new containers will appeal to a bigger consumer base which will facilitate job growth.

Rural Development contributes to small local business owners to increase productivity. This makes room for small businesses to grow and prosper, which puts rural America on the map.