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Local Business Expanding with Assistance from CODI

Dunkirk, NY – Less than 10 minutes from Jamestown, in Greenhurst, NY, Bob Courson has opened his dream store. Courson's Calibers, a military, police, hunting, and fishing supply store, is located at 3030 Route 430. Bob opened his business in April of 2007 with an inventory of guns, fishing and hunting supplies and miscellaneous military and police items. Recently, with the help of a small business loan from CODI, Bob was able to expand his product line to include MoroVision Night Vision gear. He is the only registered dealer in this product line in Chautauqua County. He has also begun work on his new web site.

His is also the only local gun retailer with an on-site gunsmith and machine shop on-site. There's no need to send equipment out to be fixed, customized, or adjusted. Bob can take care of all the customer's gun needs in-house. As a certified gunsmith, Bob enjoys doing the work himself.



Bob knew that this new product line and a web presence would help his business grow. He came to CODI with his plan and CODI was able to assist him to make this expansion possible. Since receiving the loan and becoming a certified MoroVision dealer, Bob has already gotten contracts to supply this product, and he attributes this success to the assistance he received from CODI.

Diane Hewitt, CODI's Director of Economic Development, states, "It's great to be able to assist small businesses in Chautauqua County to grow and expand. Our mission is to help small businesses reach their potential through business lending, technical assistance, consultation, and education. Courson's Calibers is another area business that fit into our mission and we are proud to be a part of their expansion."

Courson's Calibers is open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9am until 6pm, Thursday and Friday from 9am until 8pm and Saturday's from 9am until 1pm. These hours will change during hunting season to accommodate hunters. To get the most up to date information on Courson's Calibers, call 716-664-1357.

If you would like more information on services available from CODI, please call 716-363-6364.

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