

Southeast Kentucky Economic Development

Floral Designer Works to Restore Hope to Menifee Residents' Lives



"SKED was extremely helpful in getting the funding I needed to expand my business. The loan process was very simple and was made much less stressful by the personal attention and help I received from the Small Business Development Specialist David Barber. David was great to work with and gave my loan his personal attention. Since obtaining the loan, he has continued to provide me with support to ensure that my business remains successful. Thanks to SKED for allowing me to do what I love!"

*Julie Lane
Owner
The Paisley Posey*

Paisley Posey owner Julie Lane is busy this holiday season fulfilling orders at her shops in Frenchburg and West Liberty. For more information about The Paisley Posey, check it out on Facebook or www.paisleyposey.com.

*Folks in Frenchburg were living in a floral desert until **Julie Lane** made it her home. For decades, residents in the remote East Kentucky community traveled 28 miles to West Liberty or 20 miles to Mt. Sterling to buy their special occasion arrangements. But not until a devastating tornado hit Menifee County in March 2012 did Lane realize just how much the tiny community, its recovery and economic success meant to her. Two months later, Lane had put her floral design degree to work by investing in two full-service floral/gift shops – one in Frenchburg and another in West Liberty. But she needed a lender who believed in Menifee County and its recovery too. She found that at SKED and was approved for a micro loan through SKED's Small Business Administration Micro Loan Program to open **The Paisley Posey**.*



Partner: SBA Micro Loan Program

Total Project: \$23,000

Jobs Created: Two

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Contact SKED to learn how we can assist you in expanding your business, obtain low-cost financing or receive free professional site selection services.

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