

Camber Brewing



LOANS: BREWING EQUIPMENT, PATIO EXPANSION

FRASER - Self-funded entrepreneur finds NLF funding for equipment needs -- creating boutique brewery with "sought-after" outdoor patio.

Having been steeped in the corporate life in Denver for several years, Nick Crabb and his wife Karen, along with three four-legged family members moved to Fraser, CO, to find a better work/life balance. The Crabbs had a dream to fill the need for a brewery in Fraser. Nick had been honing brewing skills at home where friends and family convinced him his beer was good enough to be sold in the open market. When they were included in the Fraser downtown revitalization project - which helped with a sign and an awesome mural on the building –Camber Brewing was born.

Nick is proud of the fact that he worked to raise money and build out the business pretty much on his own – with a little help from friends and family – for which he is super grateful. But at one point he realized he needed additional funding for equipment. He was introduced to the NLF and received the loan that helped him open his doors.

Later the Crabbs needed additional funding to expand the business with an outdoor patio. They contacted the NLF again. Nick said, "This loan was very important to getting our patio finished before the busy season, so we had something immediately available for when the weather turned to Spring, and when enjoying beer on the patio is sought after by locals and most tourists to our area. Without the loan from the NLF, we wouldn't have been able to make this happen. We've seen continued growth in our business since the patio was installed and our customers love it."

