Main Street Market Evansville, MN

A unique model to strengthen rural communities by providing traditional and non-traditional grocery shopping options.

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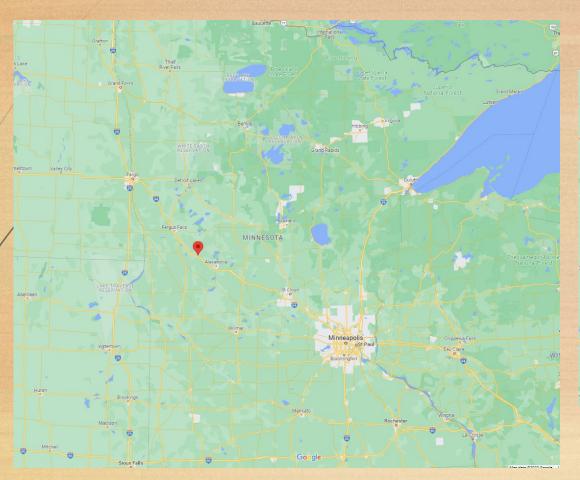
Our Background

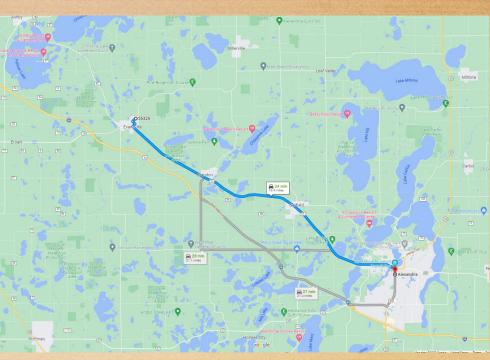
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- Rural Roots
- School & Work Experience
- Our Life Together
 - Family
 - •Rural, Metro, Rural
 - Living Sustainably



Where is Evansville?





Background on Evansville

- Est. 1879
- Built along the Railroad
- Current Population 600
- Grocery History

Evansville Demographics

Community

- Median Age 47yrs
- ► Household Income \$53,000
- Agriculture, Healthcare, Education

<u>Business</u>

- Bank, Hardware Store, Body Shop, Café, Restaurant, Small Engine Repair, Computer Repair, Home Daycares, Hair Salon, Laundry Mat, Convenience Stores, Art Center, Historical Society, School
- Two Churches & One Bar



Creating a New Concept for Rural Communities

- Nelson's Grocery
- Growing trend of Rural Grocery Closing
- Alex is a problem solver by nature.

Challenges

- New Storefront
- Changing Community Habits
- State Approval for 24/7 Access

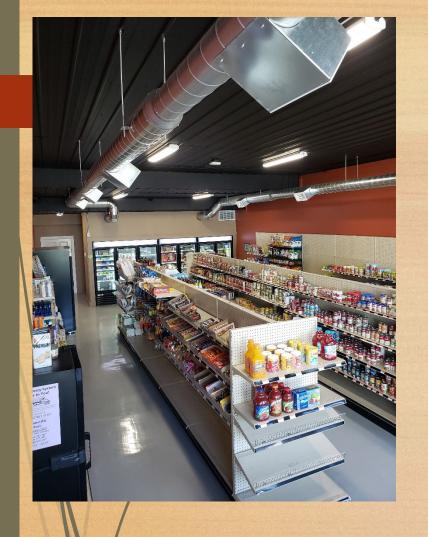
Model Benefits

- Grocery is back in town!
- 24/7 Access to Members
- Personal Interactions with Traditional Hours
- Lower Overhead
- Family/Work Balance

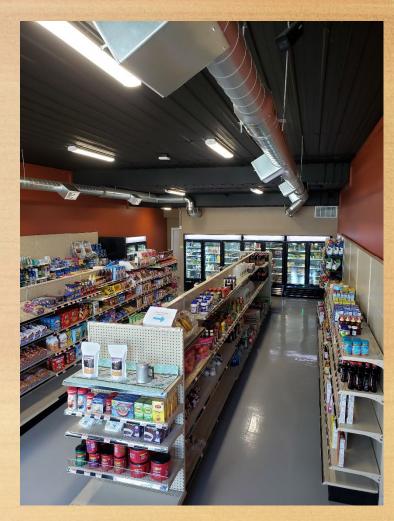
Before/After Photos of Our Store











Main Street Market Info

- Open Hours and Membership Hours
- Membership Goal for First Year: 50
 - 100 Memberships within the first year
- Average of 80% Utilization of Membership Month to Month Usage
- 40% Revenue from Membership Hours Shopping

Looking to the Future

- Provides another option to Traditional and Co-op Models.
- How this model could work well with either an individual or community group managing it.
- Model is perfect for adjusting to specific community needs.
- Utilization in other rural settings

Questions?

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