

Southeast Kentucky Economic Development

CoreTrans, LLC Keeps Business Moving with SKED Loan



Brian Whitaker, CoreTrans, LLC vice president, stands in front of one of his many over-the-road trucks.

CoreTrans, LLC runs 100 trucks, seven days a week to meet the supply needs of its customers nationwide from its Somerset, Kentucky office. Working to ensure on-time delivery and dependability is at the “core” of its company mission. In late 2010, owners Mike and Brian Whitaker needed to invest in more trailers to meet its growing customer demand. They turned to SKED and its Small Business Loan Fund. SKED worked with other non-profit lenders in the region to package the funding.

“CoreTrans is very excited to employ people in SKED’s territory. We hope to grow in 2011 and hire more people from this area.”

Brian Whitaker
Vice President
CoreTrans, LLC

Funding Agencies: U.S. Department of the Treasury (CDFI Fund)
Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation
Human/Economic Appalachian Development Corp.
Mountain Association for Community Economic Development

Total Project: \$500,000

Jobs Retained: 25



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