

Small Business Development Center Kutztown University of Pennsylvania

Helping businesses start, arow, and prosper.

Anita Heft - Owner

Himalayan Salt & Wellness 1494 N Charlotte Street Pottstown, PA 19464 Montgomery County

Industry:

Health and Wellness Spa

Year Founded: 2016

SBDC Assistance:

Business strategy Business plan Financial projections

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Healing Power in Himalayan Salt & Wellness Cave.



"I am excited to offer a place where you can come experience relaxation on a deeper level" —Anita After spending years in the pharmaceutical world as an analyst, Anita decided she wanted to get back to her roots in health and wellness. Anita was a reflexologist and reiki master before entering the corporate world. She was intrigued by the overall health benefits clients experience with salt caves and loves visiting them herself.

Anita decided that a Himalayan

Salt Cave was the perfect complement to yoga, reflexology, and reiki.

Halotherapy (also known as Salt therapy) has been relied upon for centuries to provide relief from various ailments, including:

- Allergies and asthma
- Excess stress
- Hangover
- High blood pressure
- Respiratory infections
- Skin conditions

Anita began to research and put together her business resources in November 2015. She states, "It is a lot of hard work and many hours of staying up late. I know the benefits will be worth it in the end." Anita searched for the perfect location, suppliers, general contractors, what services to offer and financing.

Anita approached numerous banks for funding her new project. During this search she began to work with the Small Business Development Center of Kutztown University and was referred to The 504 Company by the Philadelphia District Office of the Small Business Administration (SBA). Anita started to work diligently to structure her business plan and financials to become more attractive to the lenders. She was approved by The 504 Company with SBA backing.

Upon opening, they will have 5 employees and Anita plans to do reflexology and reiki to add to the services available at Himalayan Salt & Wellness Cave. Anita has already begun to participate in community events and loves to share the benefits the salt cave, reflexology, reiki, and yoga can have on a person.

Himalayan Salt & and Wellness Cave is underway and expected to open sometime in June 2016. Please come and join us at 1494 North Charlotte Street, Pottstown, PA.