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## **Rockland Trust launches 7th annual Small Business, Big Dreams contest**

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Hanover, MA Rockland Trust has just launched its 7th annual Small Business, Big Dreams contest. This competition offers small business owners the chance to grow their enterprise. Participants will be narrowed down to three finalists, each of whom will be paired with a Rockland Trust Business Banking Officer (BBO). The BBO will provide one-on-one consultations to coach the participants through the competition and help them build a comprehensive business plan to present to a panel of judges. The grand prize winner will receive \$20,000 and both runners-up will receive \$2,500.

“As a bank built by local business owners, we understand the essential role of small businesses within our communities,” said Jeffrey Tengel, CEO at Rockland Trust. “This contest is one of the ways we show our appreciation for the small businesses that fuel our local economy. Providing the finalists with the advice, resources, and relationships to transform their vision into reality is something we look forward to every year.”

Beginning March 4th through April 7th, businesses throughout Massachusetts and Rhode Island who have been running their business for at least two years and have an annual revenue of less than \$3 million are invited to enter.

To be eligible, contestants must complete an initial survey that deems eligibility. Those qualified must submit a written entry describing their business goals and how they would use the \$20,000 grand prize to finance their dreams. Entrants do not need to be customers of Rockland Trust.

For more information on the contest or eligibility, please visit [RocklandTrust.com/smallbusiness](https://RocklandTrust.com/smallbusiness)

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