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### **Mew Haven Cat Cafe Wins IdeaCafe's 19th Small Business Grant**

[New Haven, CT, April 10, 2018] – Ideacafe.com recently announced the winner of their annual small business grant, Westville's Mew Haven Cat Cafe. The cat café will receive a check for \$1,000, which they plan on using for renovations necessary to open.

"We're so honored to have been chosen for this grant," says Angela Pullo, co-owner of Mew Haven Cat Cafe. "Starting a business is hard work, and it's an even bigger challenge when it's the first of its kind in the state. We're thankful for all the support everyone has given us."

Mew Haven will contribute to the IdeaCafé blog monthly, giving them a platform to reach other small business owners. IdeaCafé is a website designed to provide small business owners with information to get their businesses started, as well as connect small business owners around the world. They are most popular for their CyberSchmooze forums, where entrepreneurs can ask each other questions and get constructive feedback. To find out more about IdeaCafé, visit them online at [www.ideacafe.com](http://www.ideacafe.com).

#### **About Mew Haven Cat Cafe**

Mew Haven Cat Cafe is the first cat cafe in Connecticut. Cat cafés quickly gained popularity all around the country since the first one in the U.S. opened in 2014, and their numbers have now risen to over 70. Patrons of these cafes can enjoy a cup of coffee while in the company of cats. All of the cats are adoptable and come from The Animal Haven, a no-kill shelter in North Haven, CT. Cat cafés allow cats to gain more visibility and increase their likelihood of getting adopted. Mew Haven will host between 10-15 cats, creating additional space for the shelter to rescue even more cats.

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