

RISE: ARE YOU AN ENTREPRENEUR DISCOURAGED BY THE ECONOMY? NEED A BOOST TO GET YOUR BUSINESS DREAMS IN MOTION? I'M RISE JILL MILLER.

ACCORDING TO THE U-S SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, SMALL BUSINESSES REPRESENT NINETY-NINE POINT SEVEN PERCENT OF ALL EMPLOYERS AND PROVIDE JOBS TO JUST OVER HALF OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR. TO ENCOURAGE GROWTH IN THE SLOW ECONOMY, A TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR GRANT PROGRAM HAS BEEN LAUNCHED BY BROTHER TO HELP SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS JUMP START THEIR OWN BUSINESS OR INITIATE A NEW PROJECT.

RICH SLOAN, CO FOUNDER OF STARTUP NATION:

BROTHER: WE FEEL FOR FELLOW SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS FACING THE CHALLENGES OF STARTING AND GROWING A BUSINESS. THIS PROGRAM IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO RISE ABOVE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES AND SHOWS THE COMMITMENT BROTHER AND START UP NATION HAVE IN UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING THE CONCERNS OF SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS.

RISE: A FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR GRANT WILL BE AWARDED TO EACH OF THE FIVE ENTREPRENEURS WHO BEST DEMONSTRATE THE VISION, MISSION AND PURPOSE OF THEIR COMPANY.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY FRIDAY, MARCH SECOND.

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