

June's Bungalow

Miles City, MT



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Mike and June Esser, Owners

Seventeen years ago, Mike and June Esser opened June's Bungalow in Colstrip. The Esser's grew up in Miles City but moved to Colstrip to fulfill June's dream of starting her own restaurant. They pride themselves in making all their food from scratch, including hand-breaded chicken strips, house-made sauces, and a variety of delicious desserts. June's Bungalow is a family business, with one of their sons cooking and their daughter waitressing.

The Esser's decided to move back to Miles City and take their successful restaurant with them. They looked at several existing restaurants and purchased The Airport Inn. Mike and June needed help writing a business plan and financial projections, so they turned to Miles City Regional Director Tracy Baker for help. Tracy helped them secure a contract for deed with the previous owner of The Airport Inn for \$750,000. She also assisted them by creating financial projections and writing a business plan. June's Bungalow in Miles City officially opened on April 10, 2023.

The business name will continue to be June's Bungalow and will continue to have great, homemade food. They will continue to be locally owned and family-operated. The Essers hired four more part-time employees and one full-time employee. By purchasing an existing restaurant, Mike and June were able to ensure Miles City wouldn't lose a small business.

Mike and June's business philosophy is to cook and serve the best food they can to keep their customers returning again and again.