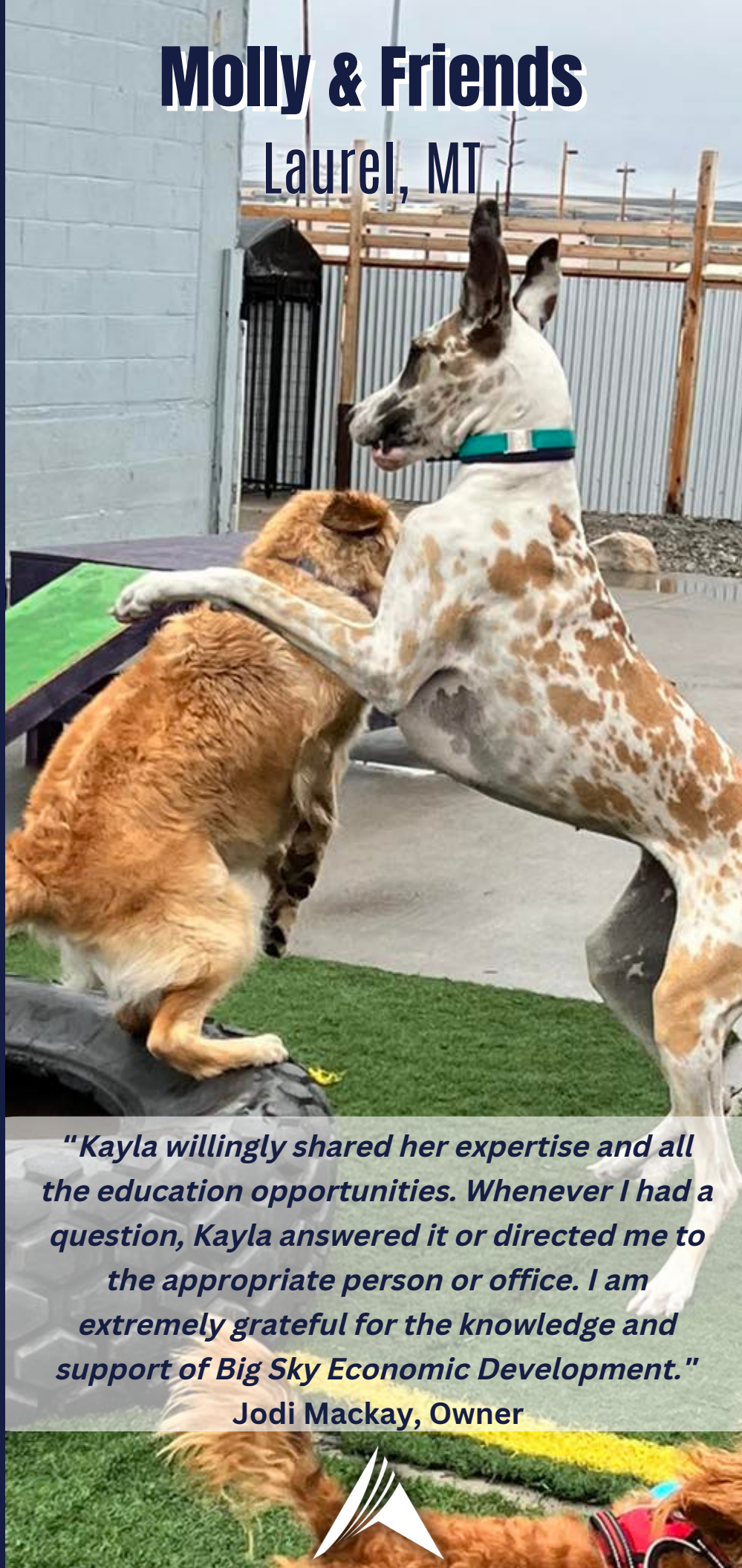


Molly & Friends

Laurel, MT



"Kayla willingly shared her expertise and all the education opportunities. Whenever I had a question, Kayla answered it or directed me to the appropriate person or office. I am extremely grateful for the knowledge and support of Big Sky Economic Development."

Jodi Mackay, Owner

Jodi Mackay established Molly & Friends in 2021 and has since built a team of three full-time and eight part-time dedicated employees. Jodi and her team are committed to delivering exceptional pet care services, offering a range of options, including full-time and hourly daycare. Additionally, they provide self-serve dog washing and comfortable overnight boarding facilities.

Jodi sought assistance from the SBDC to embark on her entrepreneurial journey and establish her business. With help from Business Advisor Kayla Vokral, they were able to craft Jodi's business plan and begin developing three-year financial projections to ensure the business's growth. Some key areas of focus included evaluating cash flow to cover all operating expenses, hiring employees, and securing the appropriate insurance coverage for the business. Kayla provided invaluable one-on-one guidance, serving as a steadfast support system during the initial stages.

After working with the SBDC, Jodi successfully aligned all the necessary elements to launch her business. Jodi diligently followed the steps to start a business in the State of Montana and ensured all the requirements were met. Securing a lease for her venture, she took the bold step towards bringing her dream business to life. With a passion for animals and a dedication to quality service, Molly & Friends has quickly become a beloved destination for pet owners seeking top-notch care for their beloved companions.

