

## July E News - NutriCore NorthEast Inc.

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In the area of funding and support, this was an exciting and productive month to say the least! On June 22<sup>th</sup>, our Center of Excellence in Foods and Nutrition Research was awarded a \$47,000 matching challenge grant by the Ben Franklin Technology Partnership to fund the center's second year of operations.

Earlier in the month, Wolfgang Candy Company became the 20<sup>th</sup> entity to pledge financial support to the NutriCore hub here in South Central PA.! We look forward to having Rob Wolfgang III as an active member of our advisory board. Please check out the Wolfgang website and whenever the opportunity presents itself, we encourage everyone to support our sponsors.

Our summer intern, Eban Dadeboe, has been successful in his research efforts at the Cooperative Collection of the Foundation Center that is located at the Martin Library in downtown York. The New York based Foundation Center maintains an up-to-date listing of every foundation and grant making entity in the country and the printed and electronic databases accessible within the Cooperative Collection have yielded more than 50 potential funders for research and operational support!

On June 14<sup>th</sup>, NutriCore received it's first of what should be many, endorsements from food industry technical and trading associations with an unanimous vote of support from the Board of Directors of the PMCA, an international association of confectionery manufacturers and suppliers ([www.pmca.com](http://www.pmca.com)).

In the area of sponsored research, a milestone in the initiative's brief history was achieved on June 30<sup>th</sup>, when an agreement to fund the initial phase of a dairy based nutrition research project was made with Penn State University's Food Science Department in University Park. Details of the project and planned use of the \$25,000 of funding from NutriCore NorthEast, will be communicated in a press release from PSU in the near future.

Administratively, two events are noteworthy. First, with the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding, our initiative committed to be a leading partner in the development of the Keystone Innovation Zone planned for York. Secondly, the services of our project coordinator, Alan Cotich, have been secured for the next 12 months with an extension of his consulting agreement.

