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Mt. Pleasant, PA - U.S. Rep. John Murtha announced today that Sand Hill Berries, a fruit farm and winery located in Mt. Pleasant, PA, has received \$73,937 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of Rural Development.

"Small businesses like Sand Hill Berries are the backbone of this great nation so it's important to do everything possible to help them succeed," said Murtha.

The funding will be used to start up a small fruits winery to allow the producers' fruit to be added in to wines. Sand Hill will specialize in fruit wines made from its own raspberries, blackberries, black raspberries, blueberries, gooseberries, currants, and elderberries.

Sand Hill Berries is a family owned and operated small fruits farm, complete with an on-site farm store and outdoor café, located in the foothills of the Chestnut Ridge in southwestern Pennsylvania.