

## Mancini's Bakery

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### Industry:

Commercial Bakeries

### Year Founded:

1926

### Consultant:

Denis Olson

### SBDC Assistance:

Business Planning, Strategic  
Planning, Funding Options



## Mary Mancini Hartner Named Western PA Small Businessperson of the Year

For nearly a century, Mancini's Bakery has been a staple of Pittsburgh tables—and under Mary Mancini Hartner's leadership, that legacy has not only endured, but thrived.

Founded in 1926 and still operating from its original home in McKees Rocks, Mancini's Bakery has remained family-owned through generations. When Mary Mancini Hartner took the helm in 1977, she faced the challenge of honoring tradition while steering the business through changing markets, evolving consumer needs, and economic uncertainty. Through steady leadership, reinvestment in her workforce, and a commitment to quality, she ensured the bakery continued to grow without losing its soul.

Today, Mancini's produces thousands of loaves daily using time-honored baking methods and employs dozens of local workers—remaining a vital part of Western Pennsylvania's food economy and cultural identity.

In recognition of her decades of leadership, perseverance, and community impact, Mary Mancini Hartner was named the Western Pennsylvania District Small Businessperson of the Year for National Small Business Week 2026 by the U.S. Small Business Administration Western PA District Office. The honor celebrates not just business success, but a lifetime commitment to craftsmanship, family, and community.

Mary's story is proof that small businesses rooted in values, tradition, and people can stand the test of time—and continue to shape the communities they serve.

The ability to harmoniously blend time-honored baking traditions with contemporary convenience solidifies Mancini's position as an indispensable part of Pittsburgh's culinary landscape, ensuring that the art of exceptional breadmaking endures for generations to come. Utilizing Duquesne SBDC tools and processes in the growth planning stages of their evolution will ensure performance excellence and sustainable growth moving forward.

