

CHEYENNE MOTEL

Rising From Destruction

Should you meet Mike Ohu, you would know he is a self made man, you can't help but admire what he has done with the Cheyenne Motel by taking it from rags to riches with the help of an 7(a) Guaranteed Loan from the Small Business Administration (SBA) on April 15, 2003. When Mike hired Steve Johnson, almost two year ago, to be his director/manager, he found a very dependable employee. Now, Mike is doing it again, by getting another SBA 7(a) Guaranteed Loan to do the same renovation with the Round-up Motel in Cheyenne.



Mike had two years of college in the Nazerine Bible College, six years in the U.S. Army and retired from the US Post Office after 13 years of service. He decided to invest in the Cheyenne Motel, his family wondered why, but were very much behind him.

The reputation of the Cheyenne Motel was quite a hurdle for Mike to get over. It was known for being a motel where alcoholics and drug addicts were found. Mike cleaned this up, the changes were a miracle, he made it happen!

It was only after purchasing the Cheyenne Motel that Mike discovered several units had water damage to the ceilings and when you turned on the water it was brown. The pipes for the motel were too small to handle the supply. The air conditioning kept popping fuses, the ice machine wasn't working and the phone system needed upgrading. All in all, Mike reinvested everything the Cheyenne Motel brought in, for upgrades and repair work, trying to get it ready for Frontier Days. After Frontier Days, Mike continued to reinvest up until 2006 when finally the motel was in full operating and functional condition. Now that this was achieved, Mike continues to reinvest to remodel all rooms, one at a time, to offer his customers an attractive and comfortable room at an affordable price.



Mike feels 100% strong since purchasing this motel and has a lot of confidence in himself. He says that customer service and being helpful and kind to people in need is very important to him. That is why, from time to time, he hired needy people to help him with some of the renovation of the motel.

Oh yes, the mascot, Maxie, is the official greeter in the front office, he will treat you as family. You can find Mike at 1601 E. Lincolnway, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 307-632-6802.