

CASE STUDY



How Highland Baking Utilized

ARISTAPRESS

TO IMPROVE THEIR OPERATIONS

Highland Baking, at its core, is a family business. Now in its 2nd generation, from a 5th generation baking family, the philosophy has continued of strengthening and building lasting relationships. There are no hidden investors making decisions based on short term profits. Instead, Highland prioritizes long-term relationships with customers and employees in order to maximize the long-term health and stability of the business for everyone.

The Challenge

With the right ERP software, businesses can streamline their operations and increase efficiency. To accomplish this, however, they need to first evaluate their current systems and processes. Highland Baking's issues stemmed from several overlapping problems that impacted the business's overall efficiency. They realized they needed help when the owner of the company was solely responsible for processing over 18,000 invoices into their system.

Internal controls were limited for many accounting and financial decisions. This lack of functionality resulted in slower processing time for incoming invoices and hesitation from suppliers. The slow approval process that permeated the AP department slowed vendor payments to a crawl. As a response to this, Arista Consulting suggested the client switch over to **ARISTAPRESS** for a better, more integrated (and automated) system.

"I've seen a huge reduction on the cost side. Optimizing the expense and items. Getting that off the plate of the owner. What do we need to buy? When do we need to buy it? Where should we buy it from? With the help from **ARISTAPRESS**, we can see what each department needs and what they are spending.

I think this is something that a lot of companies don't think about at all. They just order what they need when they need it and pay whatever price for it. That's not very efficient at all. Arista can help you look at your purchasing as an opportunity to save money and get better pricing by doing things in different ways than you were before."



Roy Sye, *Director Of Information Technology
at Highland Baking Company*

Specialized Solutions

With the smart OCR technologies and comprehensive exception management engine, **ARISTAPRESS** processed most of the invoices without the AP team's involvement - helping improve productivity of the AP team.

The Right Technology

Faster account balancing and processing of invoices

ARISTAPRESS improved efficiency in the AP department by removing a paper-based system and automating most of the processes involved

Return on Investment

Highland Baking made an investment in this equipment to try to protect their assets. One of the ways they protected their IT infrastructure is to have it in the ideal environment, and that was moving to **ARISTAPRESS**.

How can we help?

If you're interested in exploring AP automation for your business, contact Arista Consulting today. Let's give you a hand in getting your business's AP department automated with the cutting edge of technology.

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