



El Taco Loco

'LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT'
WITH DOWNTOWN
COLDWATER BROUGHT A
TASTE OF MEXICO TO
THE COMMUNITY

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We're trying to be a different restaurant—giving people the taste of Mexico with real Mexican food—and the chance to eat what we really eat at home. Most of our food is made completely from scratch, even our beans! We don't use canned beans; instead, we boil dry beans for two hours because that's how we make them at home.

Opening a second location here in Coldwater happened by accident. One day, we came to Home Depot and as we were driving around the town, we saw this building with a 'For Sale' sign. We went down and looked through the window.

And it was love at first sight.

That was eight years ago, and we've had a great experience in Coldwater. The community is very friendly. We didn't know a

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lot of people here, but when we opened, the community made us feel welcome.

We're expanding and it hasn't been easy. We spent two years planning. It looks like we are very close. Right now, this restaurant is for 50 people, and we're hoping to make it for 99 with a very nice bar.

—Danielle and Nohemi Lopez of El Taco Loco, Coldwater, Michigan



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