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*Crafted Tea + Sandwiches*

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When founder and owner of s'BLENDID Boba Tea Malee Thao moved to Milwaukee, she noticed something was missing – where were all the Boba tea shops? Boba, also known as “bubble tea,” is a Taiwanese drink that was invented in the 1980s. Mixed with milk or fruits and topped off with tapioca pearls, this Taiwanese delicacy took off in Japan and Hong Kong in the early '90s and has now found its way to the United States.

With WWBIC’s financial investment and training sessions, Thao brought this specialty drink to the north side of Milwaukee when s'BLENDID Boba Tea first opened in 2022. In addition to the signature boba tea drinks, s'BLENDID Boba Tea also offers made-to-order Korean fried chicken cooked meticulously and with love to ensure crispiness in every bite.

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Thao’s business has been so successful that they quickly grew out of their first home, and are now in the process of relocating to a larger storefront in Bay View.

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Their Korean fried chicken sandwiches are also now being sold under the name “Sandu” at the Zocalo Food Park in Walker’s Point.

**Owner:**  
Malee Thao

**Business Location:**  
Milwaukee

**Employees at Business:**  
12

**Total Investment:**  
\$366,700

**WWBIC Support:**  
Training, Lending, Coaching



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