# FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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Vitality Bowls restaurants operate superfood cafes offering high-quality, healthy, great-tasting, and affordable Acai bowls, invigorating smoothies, delicious Panini's, and other healthy food options ("<u>Vitality Bowls Restaurant(s)</u>")

The estimated total investment necessary to begin operations for a Vitality Bowls Restaurant ranges from \$151,100 and \$556,500 This includes between \$29,500 and \$39,500 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliates

Vitality Bowls area developers acquire the right to develop multiple Vitality Bowls Restaurants in a designated development area. The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Vitality Bowls area developer business will depend on the number of Vitality Bowls Restaurants to be opened.

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English Read this disclosure document and all agreements carefully You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale **Note**, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact Roy Gilad, 2440 Camino Ramon, Suite 333, San Ramon, CA 94583 and (925) 498-2684

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract Read all of your contract carefully Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant

Buying a franchise is a complex investment The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," is available from the FTC You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580 You can also visit the FTC's home page at www ftc gov for additional information In addition, there may be laws on franchising in your state Ask your state agencies about them

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# STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

Call the state franchise administrator listed in <u>Exhibit A</u> for information about the franchisor or about franchising in your state

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise

- 1 THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND AREA DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REQUIRE YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY MEDIATION/ARBITRATION/LITIGATION IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA OUT-OF-STATE MEDIATION/ARBITRATION/LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO MEDIATE/ARBITRATE/LITIGATE WITH US IN CALIFORNIA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE
- 2 THE FRANCHISEE'S SPOUSE MUST SIGN A PERSONAL GUARANTY MAKING SUCH SPOUSE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE FOR THE OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WHICH ALSO PLACES THE SPOUSE'S PERSONAL ASSETS AT RISK YOU MAY WANT TO CONSIDER THIS WHEN MAKING A DECISION TO PURCHASE THIS FRANCHISE OPPORTUNITY
- 3 THE FRANCHISEE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE AN ESTIMATED INITIAL INVESTMENT RANGING FROM \$151,100 and \$559,500 THIS AMOUNT EXCEEDS THE FRANCHISOR'S MEMBERS EQUITY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016, WHICH IS A NEGATIVE \$(185,210)
- 4 THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE

We use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise A franchise broker or referral source is <u>our</u> agent and represents us, not you We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise

Effective Dates See next page for state effective dates

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# **STATE EFFECTIVE DATES**

The following states require the disclosure document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin

This disclosure document is registered, on file or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates

STATE	EFFECTIVE DATE
CALIFORNIA	PENDING
HAWAII	NOT REGISTERED
ILLINOIS	PENDING
INDIANA	PENDING
MARYLAND	NOT REGISTERED
MICHIGAN	NOT REGISTERED
MINNESOTA	NOT REGISTERED
NEW YORK	PENDING
NORTH DAKOTA	NOT REGISTERED
RHODE ISLAND	NOT REGISTERED
SOUTH DAKOTA	NOT REGISTERED
VIRGINIA	PENDING
WASHINGTON	PENDING
WISCONSIN	NOT REGISTERED

### Effective Dates for States Requiring Registration and Notice Filings

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