

# The Progress Fund

“The Progress Fund stepped up. Basically, they got it... now I’m where I wanted to be.”

—Rod Darby,  
Owner, The Trailside



Our nationally renowned Trail Town Program has financed successful businesses like:

- B&Bs
- Bike, kayak and outdoor shops
- Restaurants & ice cream shops
- Hostels
- + more

The Progress Fund financed every stage of The Trailside cafe’s development. Our Trail Town Program helped Rod bring in a steady stream of bicyclists, then we connected him with an experienced restaurateur to beef up his off-season plan.

### **We transformed a whole town.**

To build a successful Trail Town, you need enough attractions to entice visitors to stop, explore and spend. In Rod’s town of West Newton alone, we financed about a dozen small businesses. Those entrepreneurs turned a small stop into a full-on trailside destination, where they’re all growing and thriving.

Our mission is to build up communities— which means we can get really creative to help small businesses, even when traditional lenders can’t. We’ll build loan terms around your business (even if it’s a little offbeat.) Plus, we go all-in with extra support, like the coaching and networking we shared with Rob.

## Get the financing to start your story.

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“Though we’re doing business together, it doesn’t feel like ‘business’— feels more like good people helping each other out.”

— Don Hasch, Co-owner, Hazelbaker’s Bottom Yough Outfitters, Inc



With innovative efforts like our nationally renowned Trail Town Program, we’ve financed successful:

- Bike, kayak & outdoor shops
  - Restaurants & food producers
  - B&Bs and other lodging
- + more

When the owner of Hazelbaker’s Bottom Yough Outfitters wanted to retire, Don saw his chance to run his own venture. He was short on equity, but with his years of whitewater experience and the business’s 20-year-strong history, The Progress Fund financed the opportunity of a lifetime, and even tailored his payments to his seasonal business.

### **We go all in.**

We’re on a mission to build up communities— which means we’ll get creative to help you get the money you need.

We’re not afraid to make big leaps with the businesses and people we believe in... even if your idea is a little offbeat. We custom-craft loan terms, and share extra coaching and support when you need it. Because we invest in your success, not just your business.

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