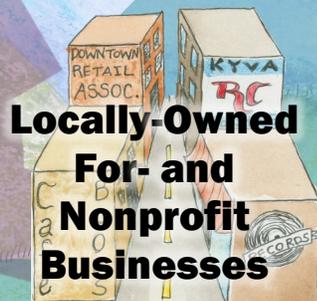


# THE LETCHER COUNTY CULTURE HUB



## SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGY-DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT

- Leading **county-wide solar energy and broadband projects** to build infrastructure, reduce costs, and create enterprise and work opportunities.
- Leading planning for a large-scale, **state-of-the-art recycling and composting facility** to generate revenue and jobs, reduce trash, and improve soil on mining sites.



## Locally-Owned For- and Nonprofit Businesses

There are always open seats at the table for new ideas, projects, and partners



## Community-Led Arts and Cultural Organizations

## MAKING ART AND MEDIA

- **Writing and touring an original play about our future** by and for residents across the county, led by youth artists.
- **Telling our stories** through radio, film, TV, theater, writing, presentations, and exchanges with local, regional, national, and international audiences.



## Volunteer Fire Departments

## POLICY AND ADVOCACY

- Collaborating with local, regional, and national organizations to advance a **grassroots-led, culture-driven approach to development**.
- Working with local and state governments to **increase support for community-led organizations**.



## Community Centers and Neighborhood Organizations

## PRODUCING AND EXPANDING CULTURAL EVENTS

- Supporting **over 100 festivals, concerts, dances, exhibitions, and other cultural events in Letcher County each year**, led by community organizations and attended by thousands of guests from across the county, region, nation, and overseas.
- Incubating **three new annual festivals** of local art and cultural work that gross tens of thousands of dollars each year.
- Revived the **longest-running community-led square dance** in the state.



## Local Food Producers

## TURNING TALENT INTO WEALTH

- **Creating enterprise opportunities** for community artists, artisans, farmers, cooks, designers, programmers, musicians, dancers, teachers and creative people of all kinds.
- **Providing seed funding** for new projects through a community-controlled partnership fund.

## BUILDING A CULTURE OF HEALTH

- **Creating a market for healthy, local food**, and collaborating with local government and business to make it affordable.
- **Connecting community-led food, health, housing, energy, and public safety organizations** to make the county livable for everyone.



# LETCHER COUNTY CULTURE HUB PARTNERS

are organizations of, by, and for the people of Letcher County, working together through our shared culture to imagine and create a future where we own *what we make*:



**Appalshop**  
**EpiCentre Arts**  
**Humans of Central Appalachia**  
**Little Shepherd Amphitheater**

**Bluegrass Solar**  
**HOMES, Inc.**  
**Letcher County Library District**  
**Letcher County Cycling Club**  
**Mountain Tech Media**

**Campbell's Branch Community Center**  
**Carcassonne Community Center**  
**Cowan Community Center**  
**Hemphill Community Center**

**City of Whitesburg/ Letcher County Farmers' Market**  
**Community Ag. And Nutritional Enterprises, Inc.**

**Kings Creek Volunteer Fire Dept.**  
**Mayking Volunteer Fire Dept.**  
**Sandlick Volunteer Fire Dept.**

## REGIONAL COLLABORATORS AND INVESTORS

include

- Appalachian Impact Fund**
- Appalachian Regional Healthcare**
- Central Appalachian Network**
- Community Farm Alliance**
- Fahe**
- Grow Appalachia**
- Kentucky Arts Council**
- Kentucky State University**
- Mountain Association for Community Economic Development**
- Rural Support Partners**
- Uhuru Foundation**
- University of Kentucky**
- Virginia Tech ArtWorks**



## NATIONAL COLLABORATORS AND INVESTORS

include

- The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation**
- ArtPlace America**
- Center for Rural Strategies**
- Chorus Foundation**
- Cornell University**
- Doris Duke Charitable Foundation**
- The Educational Foundation of America**
- Imagining America: Artists and Scholars in Public Life**
- Kettering Foundation**
- Lafayette College Economic Empowerment and Global Learning Project**
- PolicyLink**

