

### WINROCK'S U.S. PROGRAMS

# Revitalizing American Communities

Winrock International preserves livelihoods and builds resilience around the world. In the United States, we use **community development** and **entrepreneurial ecosystems** to empower the disadvantaged, increase economic opportunity and sustain natural resources. Small-town America faces urgent challenges, and **Winrock's U.S. Programs** are helping to meet and transcend them.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** 

- Analyzing and supporting community strengths and needs
- Conducting economic assessments and feasibility studies
- Training and empowering local leaders

#### **ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEMS**

- Providing business training to individuals and cohorts
- Assisting with loan applications and seed funds
- Assessing, mentoring and leading



Our **community development** programs help towns determine what they need to thrive — from sidewalks to broadband and making them happen. We do this by offering technical assistance and capacity building, and by training leaders to access funding. We conduct feasibility studies and implement placemaking projects. We tailor our programs to meet the unique needs of each community.

We build **entrepreneurial ecosystems** by providing connections and coaching to a diverse universe of small and mediumsized enterprises, from high-tech startups to Main Street businesses. We connect entrepreneurs with the ideas, people and resources they need to create profitable ventures. We offer startup accelerators, bootcamps, job portals — and most of all, a continuum of support.

Innovate Arkansas has been instrumental in plugging me into a community that is extremely powerful."

JAMES FARMER, EASY BINS, INNOVATE ARKANSAS COMPANY



#### RESULTS





grocery stores

Helped more than

799 startups add

more than 6,000 jobs

while generating

\$939 million in revenue

Accelerate South is what put us on the map. The presentation skills we developed equipped us to win gold at MassChallenge."

BRITTANY SOEDER, CO-FOUNDER, NEURORESCUE, LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

## **INNOVATIVE**

We are data-driven, innovative and synergistic, gleaning information from community development projects that we can use to identify entrepreneurs we refer to our business programs. We are catalysts and go-betweens, making things happen that wouldn't otherwise.

We bring accountability, integrity and know-how to our U.S. programs – plus an instinctive understanding of small towns and cities built on decades of work with them.

Winrock's U.S. programs are revitalizing America's heartland.

Shepherded more than 250

entrepreneurs and 157

**companies** from seven states

through an early-stage,

proof-of-concept accelerator

EQUITY

Our programs have always been equitable, easing barriers for women and people of color, creating peer-to-peer networks and opportunities for group learning in rural locales. Remote work comes naturally to us.



#### THE WINROCK WAY



**Market-driven** 





Science-based





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