

# Introduction to the Network

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# Who We Are

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The Appalachia Funders Network is a group of 80 national, regional, and local grantmakers who work together to accelerate the development of more diverse and resilient local economies that sustain our unique assets and provide widely shared prosperity for all.

Our work is focused in Central Appalachia, which we define as the Appalachian counties of Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and North Carolina.

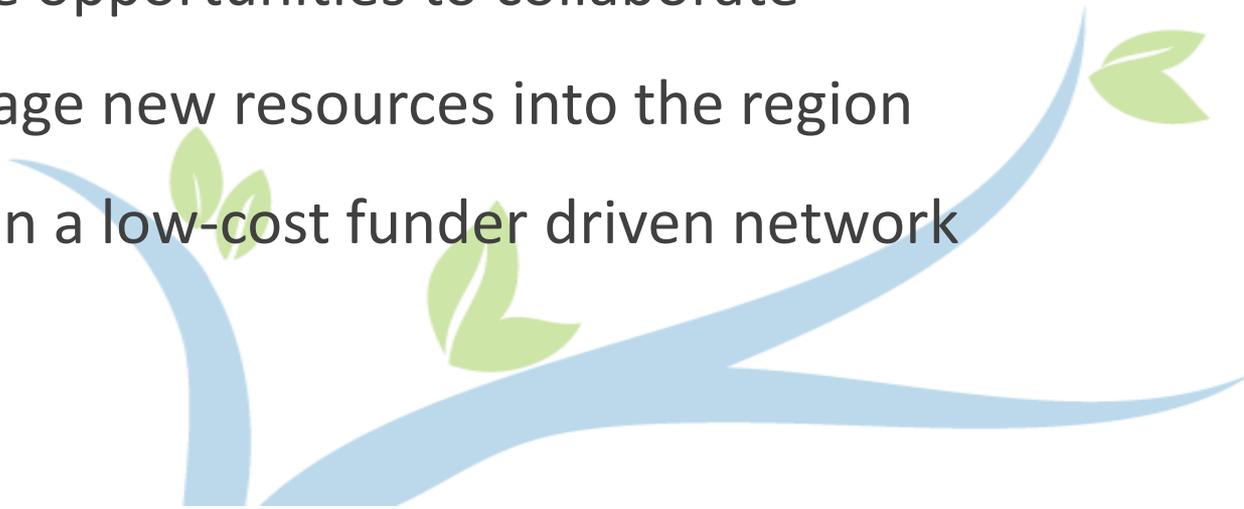


# Network Purpose & Goals

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**Align the efforts of grantmakers to accelerate the economic transition of Central Appalachia**

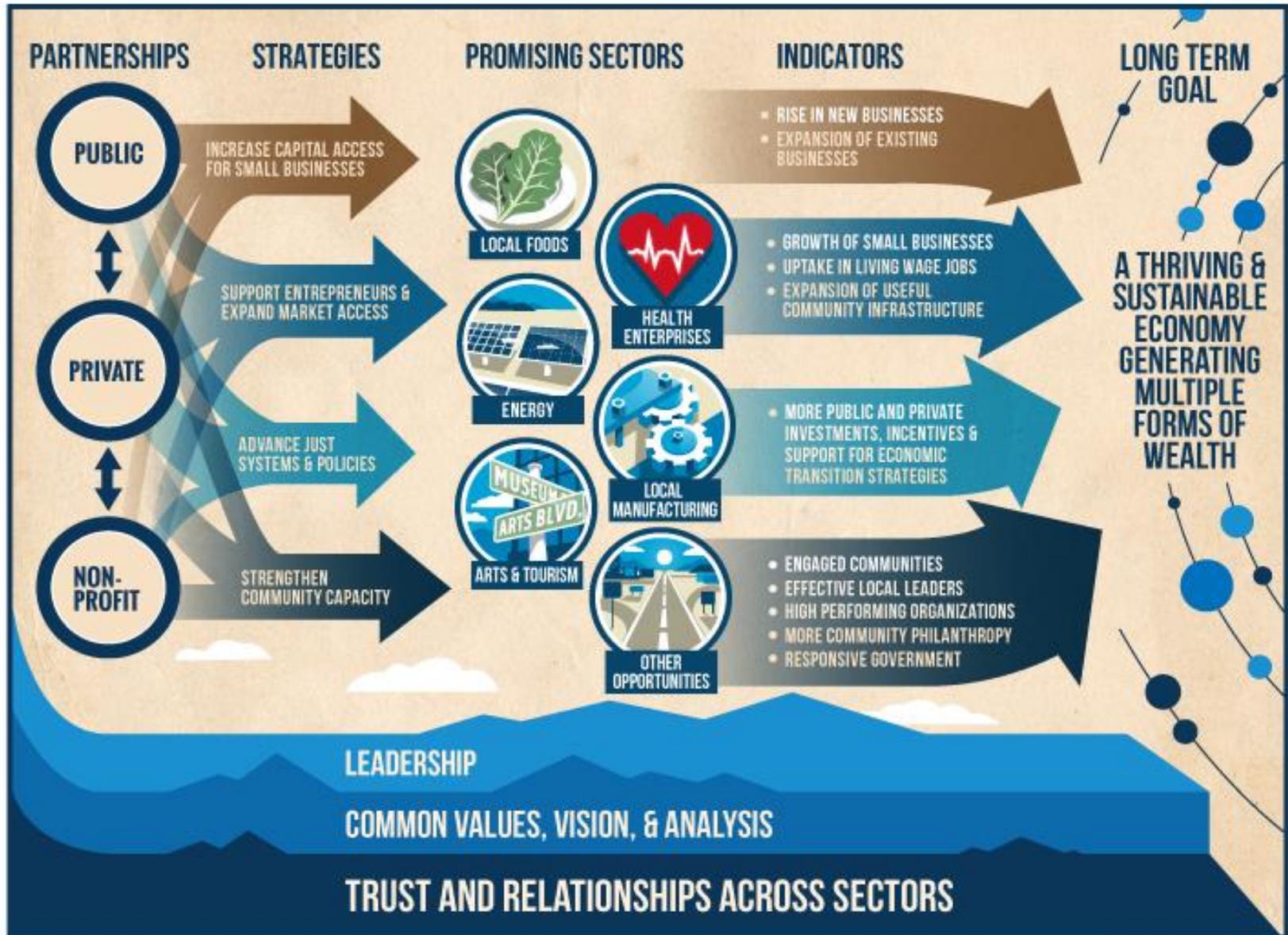
- Build relationships and trust
- Foster a common understanding, analysis, and vision
- Create opportunities to collaborate
- Leverage new resources into the region
- Sustain a low-cost funder driven network



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# Network Structure

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## STEERING COMMITTEE

Steering Committee members guide the vision, goals, and activities of the Network.

## NETWORK COORDINATOR

Rural Support Partners provides coordination, facilitation, & evaluation support to the Network.



# Core Activities

## Annual Gatherings

Hub for Learning,  
Analysis, and Strategy  
Development



## Working Groups

The Engine of the Network



## Special Initiatives

Appalachian Transition Fellowship



appalachian  
transition  
fellowship

Philanthropic Engagement Project



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**NETWORK**  
learning · analysis · collaboration

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