FORGE COMMUNITY LOAN FUND

FORGE is the oldest revolving community loan fund in Arkansas. Since 1988, FORGE has been promoting community development and economic sustainability by linking investors with borrowers, urban and rural communities, consumers with producers, and low-income groups with basic affordable credit. As a nonprofit organization, FORGE provides access to affordable capital and business development services to small businesses and nonprofit organizations that are financially viable but otherwise have difficulty obtaining loan capital from banks and other conventional lenders.

Headquartered in Huntsville, Arkansas, FORGE is a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Intermediary Microlender and a community development financial institution (CDFI). For 30 years, FORGE has fulfilled its mission of helping to build sustainable communities and we will not let our neighbors down in their time of need. The bottom line is that FORGE has maintained its strength because we make good loans to good people who do good work in their communities.

CDFI Story - Mayapple Salon & Boutique, Fayetteville, AR

Founded by locals Roxie Hunt and Melissa Arens, the thriving Mayapple Salon & Boutique in Fayetteville, Arkansas, started with help from a FORGE small business loan.

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