

HELP SPUR LOCAL CREATIVITY



Becoming a trustee allowed me to finally find the group of like-minded people I had always been searching for who share a desire to positively impact our community in small, but very meaningful ways.

Dan Trew
Clearwater Conservancy

Thanks to 3 Dots, I have gained a new level of excitement and an outlet for creative ways to engage and innovate in our community!

Deanna Behring
Penn State, College of Ag

3 DOTS INSPIRES A MORE VIBRANT COMMUNITY

by promoting local arts, cultivating innovative experiences, and offering an inclusive, welcoming community space. We envision State College as a cultural destination that's energized by local artists and innovative changemakers. We believe in:



An energetic downtown



Community-driven change



Transformative power of the arts



Diversity and inclusion



Constant evolution

EVERY MONTH, WE FUND \$1000 AWESOME GRANTS

to support community innovation and connection. Made possible by the generosity of our 3 Dots Trustees, our grants support a world-wide effort to spread a little more awesome in the universe. These are no-strings-attached grants for everyday people trying to better their communities. **Trustees meet on the last Tuesday of each month to vote on grant proposals** and look for projects that:

- 1) Make Centre County an awesome place to call home
- 2) Produce something tangible
- 3) Provide new opportunities
- 4) Engage a broad community

TRUSTEES ARE OUR MOST LOYAL & GENEROUS SUPPORTERS

By committing to a gift of \$100 per month, you are joining a group of active community members who represent many different local orgs and interests. Not only is this an opportunity to impact your community by voting monthly to select an innovative local project, but you are also creating connections with others who want to make Centre County an awesome place to live.

Can't afford \$100/month? Consider splitting the donation with a friend 50/50!



SNAPSHOT OF OUR IMPACT

A SINGLE \$1000 GRANT GOES A LONG WAY

For more than 2 years, our trustees have funded individuals determined to see their grant make a direct impact in our community. Here's a look at a few of the past grants. For more details, view all of our grants at 3dotsdowntown.com/grants



DOWNTOWN MURAL

Will Synder received a grant to paint a mural downtown outside of Websters Cafe. The mural was collaboratively painted by members of the community and was completed in less than a month! The \$1000 provided validation to the muralist to explore his idea and garner support from key stakeholders.



SPONSOR A BIRD FEEDER

Many community members are experiencing loneliness during Covid-19, so **Cindy Way** received a grant to place bird feeders outside of nursing facilities in town. She used the money to buy the supplies and got community members to sponsor a facility and set up and maintain the feeders (while smiling at their new friends through the windows!)



HAMMOCK COMMUNITREE

One of our earliest projects was to support **Mariele Schecter** design a place where the community could 'hang out together' in their hammocks and meet new friends. As one of our most persistent winners, she spent 2 years getting the support she needed to build the structure and finally launched this summer.

JOIN OUR COMMUNITY & GET INVOLVED

To learn how to become a Trustee, contact info@3dotsdowntown.com

75%

of grant winners are young professionals (age 22-39) excited to contribute to and stay in Centre County

50%

of grant winners refine their idea and re-submit after getting trustee feedback

Join our growing community of

20+ trustees

Our trustees and grantees represent

100+ local orgs

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