

## ShadeFund: How it Works

Healthy rural communities need healthy farmland and forests. The nonprofit ShadeFund lends to entrepreneurs—farmers and other natural resource-based businesses—who need capital to grow, purchase equipment, or move in a new direction. In doing so, ShadeFund often partners with other lenders or grants programs.

Through our website ([www.shadefund.org](http://www.shadefund.org)), ShadeFund helps you market your products, services, and your commitment to using natural resources wisely.

By making small loans to farms and forest businesses, ShadeFund ensures that America's lands and the communities that depend on them remain vibrant for years to come.



## The Conservation Fund

At The Conservation Fund, we combine a passion for conservation with an entrepreneurial spirit. For conservation solutions to last, they need to make economic sense. A top-ranked nonprofit, we have protected nearly 7 million acres across America and financed dozens of businesses and farms that are good stewards of our natural resources. [www.conservationfund.org](http://www.conservationfund.org)

## The US Endowment for Forestry and Communities

The Endowment works collaboratively with partners in the public and private sectors to advance systemic, transformative and sustainable change for the health and vitality of the nation's working forests and forest-reliant communities. [www.usendowment.org](http://www.usendowment.org)

### ShadeFund

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The Nonprofit ShadeFund can help.



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