

Accelerate WV

Transforming Southern WV communities through resilience, revitalization, and readiness planning



★ Accelerate WV Teams

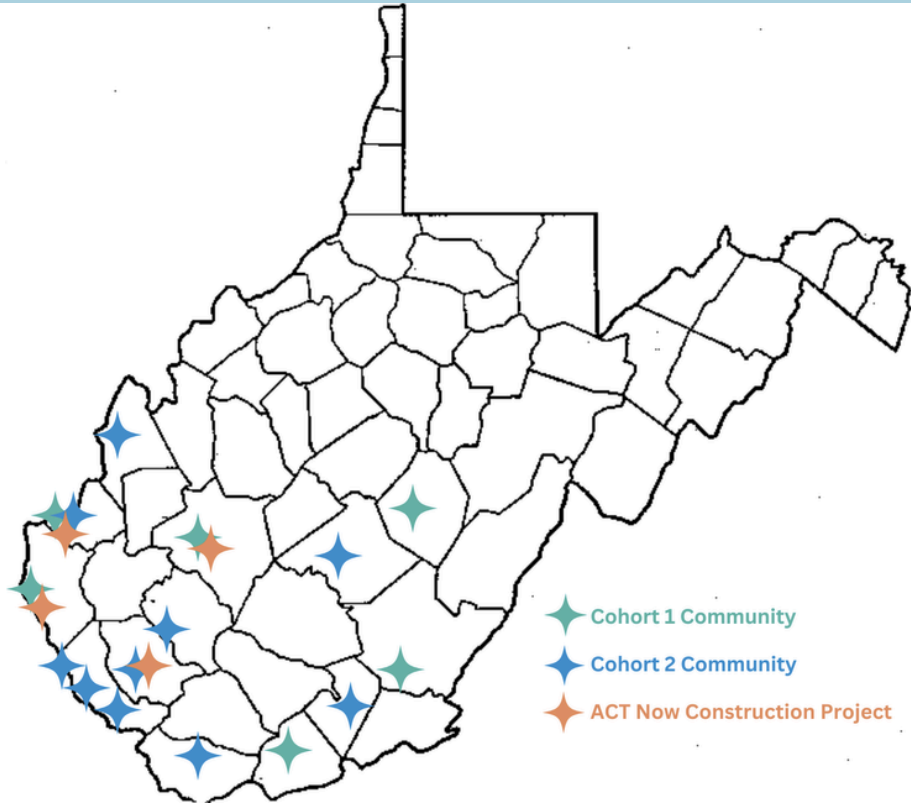
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- Princeton
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- Kimball
- Logan
- Madison
- Mason County
- Summersville
- Williamson

✱ Project Overview

Accelerate WV is a component of the Community + Business Resilience Initiative (CBRI), one of eight (8) projects in the ACT (Appalachian Community Transformation) Now Coalition. Through July 2026, Accelerate WV will work in 16 Southern West Virginia communities to support local leadership teams as they advance their communities' revitalization plans and goals.

Through Accelerate WV, communities will have access to predevelopment services for circular development projects, entrepreneurial development and training services, brownfields site assessments, and so much more. These resources will be used to help each community create economic resilience plans and determine how it can best adapt to emerging and shifting economies.

To date, CBRI has worked with over 100 community leaders, created 230 new jobs, started 174 new businesses, worked with 948 individual clients, and assessed over 640,000 sq. ft. in dilapidated structures across Southern West Virginia.



👤 What are predevelopment services?

Predevelopment services are the plans, processes, and services performed before construction occurs. This often looks like engineering studies, feasibility analyses, site renderings, environmental assessments, historic analyses, and more.

Accelerate WV communities have access to up to \$45,000 in technical assistance funds that will be used to advance community projects related to circular development, i.e. creating an outdoor recreation marketing plan, expanding a regional textile industry, or creating a historic downtown district. Projects are identified by the communities based on their own priorities and visions for the future and will be included in their economic resilience plans.

To date, The Hub has deployed \$715,389 to advance these projects.

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