



An Eco-Friendly Creative Industry

Print My Threads Ashland, Kentucky

Kyle Robinson and his wife Annie found a lack of creative industry in northeast Kentucky when they moved to Ashland, Annie's hometown. That didn't stop the fine-arts graduates from using Kyle's passion for screen-printing to start a t-shirt company, Print My Threads.

Soon, they moved the business out of their detached garage, and into a downtown storefront. And business was booming. Not only were they designing and screen-printing shirts for local businesses, organizations and sports leagues, but they also captured the business of far-away clothing designers and companies in New York City and California that were drawn to Print My Threads' eco-friendly techniques, inks and fabrics.

When business reached a critical mass, Print My Threads reached out to MACED to help fund the purchase of a larger automatic screen-printing press. The company will be able to print many more shirts with the new press in much less time, putting them in position to continue making profits and remain in business at their newly purchased warehouse space.

"I think the kind of programs that MACED offers provide really valuable experiences," Robinson said. "I was really glad to work with MACED, because it could potentially be a really cool partnership."

MACED works with people in eastern Kentucky and Central Appalachia to create economic opportunity, strengthen democracy and support the sustainable use of natural resources.

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