## **Project Profile**



### **Location:**

131 Burnworth Road Mill Run, PA

## County:

Fayette

#### **Description:**

Business Development Loan

# **Total Project Cost:** \$265.000





### People:

Husband and wife Eric and Kasia Martin had long wanted to open a lodge, and when the opportunity came, they had to act fast. A spacious, rustic home 2,400 feet above sea level came on the market, and the seller was in a hurry. The Martins sought conventional financing, but the bankers "got bogged down in their own bureaucracy," says Eric.

## **Progress:**

The Martins turned to a trusted partner. The Progress Fund had financed the expansion of their first business, Wilderness Voyageurs Outfitters, and the development of their second, the Falls City Restaurant and Pub. Based on those successes, The Progress Fund quickly

provided a \$200,000 loan. "They were actually able to move faster than a traditional bank," says Eric.

### Impact:

Trillium Lodge brings to the Laurel Highlands a rare combination of rustic setting, full amenities and affordable prices. It increases Ohiopyle's competitiveness with other resort-and-adventure areas in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and beyond. Now as many as twenty visitors can enjoy Trillium's 30-mile view of timeless natural beauty — thanks to a very timely loan.

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