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# Here's What's Brewing

If you are one of our local supporters, you've likely noticed the new poster in MUGS' front window. Just one more way we can continue telling our story, it reads:

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

MUGS is not a business. We are a NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. That means we "operate solely to fulfill a charitable mission". Our mission is to be a catalyst, creating opportunities for life-changing community by providing a safe, comfortable environment for education, entertainment, networking and resourcing.

Our conference room and 4 private meeting rooms will be available 16 hours a day, 7 days a week to host life-skill development classes of all sorts at hours that are convenient for you!

In order to keep our menu prices reasonable and attractive, we are working to open with as little debt as possible! That means RAISING the money we need to open, NOT borrowing it...

Though MUGS qualifies for grant funding, most foundations prefer to fund existing programs instead of renovating historic buildings. Nearly every one of our grant proposals have received the same response: "This project looks fantastic! Please let us know when you're functional! We'd love to help you then!"

In late 2015, a structural integrity issue came to light that took 12 months to diagnose and solve. The solution jumped to the top of the construction schedule, but came with a price tag of \$20,000! So time since has been spent exploring and inacting even more creative fundraising options.

MUGS has already raised and spent over \$60,000, but because current fire code requirements and structural issues tripled our initial construction expenses, we still have a long way to go.

MUGS is currently launching a Corporate Founders' Initiative, inviting and incentivizing larger businesses within a 5-county radius to take part in helping bring MUGS to life.



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DONATIONS OF ALL SIZES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, and can be directed to the address you see here. Each \$20 gift adds up and moves MUGS closer to opening our doors and serving this great community!