OUR KATAHDIN
Where Ideas Meet Action
“The human spirit can overcome anything if it has hope.”
-Becky Blanton
Our Katahdin...The Beginning

An Industrial Region

Passionate Residents and Alumni

With a Beautiful Backyard
Small Wins

1st Project

Christmas gets a little brighter on the Millinocket Main Street!

To decorate the Bandstand and storefronts in Millinocket in time for the holidays.

Local Project Leader: Nancy and Dave Dewitt

Funds Raised: $655 within 3 Days

Capacity Building:

- Established crowd funding website (www.OurKatahdin.com)
- Established Facebook Page
- Established Organization
- Formalized board structure
- Received 501c3 Status
Crowd Funding:

- Successfully funded 11 projects over a ten month period; started in December of 2014. Funds were raised online at [www.ourkatahdin.com](http://www.ourkatahdin.com)
- Total funds raised over $25,000 for community projects alone
- Leveraged matching funds from businesses, institutions and individual donors
- 2,400+ Facebook Fans
- 500+ registered users on our website
- 280+ donors
## Connecting ideas, capacity and capital

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<td>Crowdsourcing ideas, volunteers and fundraising to implement revitalization projects in the Katahdin region.</td>
<td>Ensuring entrepreneurs and community leaders benefit from training, education and mentoring services as they grow their businesses and projects.</td>
<td>Seeking to leverage our region’s assets to develop our economy in the industries of forest products, alternative energies, outdoor recreation and the digital economy.</td>
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### Ideas

### Capacity

### Capital
Plug Into the Maine Entrepreneur Grid

▲ Entrepreneurs participating in the incubator will be given capital allocation priority.
▲ Leadership incubator focused on developing entrepreneurial and community leader talent pool.
We believe these industries can coexist while maintaining local traditions, and the environment.

**Forest Products**
- Proximity to one of the largest wood baskets on the east coast of the United States
- Two large industrial sites with industrial infrastructure (water, power, transport)
- Skilled industrial workforce in the region and/or willing to return to the region

**Outdoor Recreation**
- 4 season destination for hiking, biking, fishing, hunting, ATVing, wildlife viewing, boating, skiing, snowmobiling climbing and more
- Gateway to Baxter State Park that attracts ~70,000 visitors per year
- Trail and service infrastructure
- New degree program at local college in Outdoor Recreation and Tourism
- Quality medical services available

**Digital Economy**
- World class connectivity to fiber optic cable, via the 3-ring binder project
- Industrial sites for data centers or other businesses that need vast areas of space
- Colder climates preferred for larger data centers
- Lifestyle / access to the outdoors to attract and retain a younger workforce
OK Capital engages the community to promote local ownership of Katahdin area businesses.