

CDFIS: BOOSTING AMERICAN MANUFACTURING

GENERATIONS WELDING & CONTRACTING, LLC

FORGING GROWTH IN LAUREL

Laurel, DE

CDFI: GROW AMERICA FUND

Generations Welding & Contracting, LLC, a family-owned welding and metal fabrication business founded by Steven Coleman in 2017, has become a trusted provider of structural steel, heavy equipment repair, and custom metalwork throughout Laurel, Delaware. Operating from its current site, the company has steadily expanded its capabilities, offering fabrication in steel, stainless steel, and aluminum while delivering reliable service to contractors and local industries. To support this growth and secure a permanent home for operations, Generations Welding sought CDFI financing to purchase and develop a new industrial property.



With the support of a \$463,000 term loan from Grow America, paired with an equity investment from the owners, the company was able to acquire and renovate the site, strategically located near major transportation routes and equipped with a valuable onsite rail spur. This feature will enable the business to import and offload steel materials directly by rail, significantly reducing transportation costs and increasing operational efficiency. Generations Welding is positioned to meet rising demand, improve productivity, and strengthen long-term profitability. This project not only supports the stability and expansion of a local, family-run enterprise but also contributes to industrial revitalization and job sustainability within the Laurel community.

TREISD 3D MANUFACTURING

CDFI THREE ROOTS BOOSTS TENNESSEE HIGH-TECH MANUFACTURING

Mascot, TN

CDFI: THREE ROOTS CAPITAL

In 2026, TreisD Corporation reached a major milestone in its advancement of proprietary 3D imaging and printing technology with the installation of critical production equipment at its manufacturing facility in Mascot, Tennessee. This achievement reflects the impact of early and sustained financing from Three Roots Capital, which provided approximately \$1.5 million in capital to support TreisD's facility build-out and equipment acquisition.

TreisD develops advanced multi-optical polymer technology that transforms 2D images into true 3D visuals for a range of applications, including security printing, consumer products, collectibles, and anti-counterfeiting solutions. With 3Roots' financial support, TreisD was able to install its state-of-the-art polymer production line at a business park in Knox County and launch initial manufacturing operations. The production line is now fully operational.

Three Roots Capital was the first local investor in TreisD and played a key role in helping the company secure space, purchase essential equipment, and establish its headquarters at the University of Tennessee Research Park. This partnership exemplifies how CDFI capital can help high-growth startups transition from research and development into commercial manufacturing while creating quality jobs and strengthening the regional economy.

