

Inside Our Minds Receives Sprout Seed Award For The Mental Illness Spotlight

(12/1/2016) – Inside Our Minds is pleased to announce it has received a Seed Award from The Sprout Fund in support of The Mental Illness Spotlight. The Mental Illness Spotlight fights the stigma of mental illness by featuring the stories of people with various mental health diagnoses on a podcast and at an open mic night. The podcast participants will share their experiences, discuss treatments and symptoms, take listener questions, and debunk stereotypes in order to educate community members about mental illness. The open mic night event will give community members the opportunity to share their experiences to a live audience, having the ability to choose to share their own story or read stories submitted by people who do not want to speak publicly. Learn more and subscribe to project updates at insideourminds.org/spotlight.

Sprout Seed Awards are modest financial awards (\$500–\$10,000) that provide critical financial support for projects and programs in the early stages of development—when just a small amount of investment has the potential to yield big results in the community.

The Mental Illness Spotlight is fiscally sponsored by New Sun Rising, an organization that empowers creative projects in the Pittsburgh region through fiscal sponsorship, mentoring, and community building. Learn more at newsunrising.org.

About The Sprout Fund

The Sprout Fund enriches the Pittsburgh region’s vitality by engaging citizens, amplifying voices, supporting creativity and innovation, and cultivating connected communities. The Sprout Fund is Pittsburgh’s leading agency supporting innovative ideas, catalyzing community change, and making our region a better place to live, work, play, and raise a family.

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Directed by a board of civically engaged leaders, led by its co-founders, supported by a dedicated staff, and with strong relationships to many community organizations and regional stakeholders, Sprout has worked successfully across political and geographic boundaries to make hundreds of community-decided investments in early-stage projects, organizations, innovators, and activities. Learn more and get involved at sproutfund.org.

