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This is the `How to Open Source like a Trussel`, written by Trussels for Trussels. We share it here for others to see how we approach open source.

Default To Open

Truss encourages working in the open. What does this mean? Making the software we write open source where we can as often as we can so that everyone can benefit. Benefits include early identification and elimination of defects, cost savings through outside involvement, and reusability.

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