

SCHOLARSHIP ENTREPRENEURS

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AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT





RIZOME

Venture/Organization Name: RIZOME Entrepreneur Name: Troy Carter Email: troy@rizomeco.com

Description of Venture: RIZOME is pioneering climate-positive bamboo engineered lumber, and sequestering carbon through large-scale reforestation and bamboo

agroforestry.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$5M in equity.



Venture/Organization Name: Biomass Group Entrepreneur Name: Lucky Dissanayak Email: Lucky@biomass-group.com e

Description of Venture: Biomass Group is a bio-resources development company delivering deforestation free, RSB certified, traceable, ethically and sustainably sourced fuelwood to domestic industry and in the future pellets for export. This is a nature based solution that will transform livelihoods in rural communities (especially the woman of the household) and reduce the use of fossil fuels in Sri Lanka. Longer term the ambition is to replicate this business in countries across the equator where there are millions of smallholder farmers and Gliricidia grows in abundance. We will deliver on 7 SDG's; No Poverty, Zero Hunger, Good Health & Wellbeing, Gender Equality, Clean Energy, Climate Action and Partnerships.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$2.5 in equity.



Venture/Organization Name: Choco4Peace Entrepreneur Name: Sergio Figueredo Email: sergio@choco4peace.org

Description of Venture: Choco4Peace works with ex-cocaine producers and war victims who have made the transition to growing premium (fine & aroma) cacao, and support them through access to markets for their chocolate-producing cacao, innovative finance and disruptive technology. We use this technology to trace not only the origin of the cacao as it moves through the value chain, but also the socioeconomic & environmental impacts of production, consumption, and investment.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: Seed round of \$2.5M as blend of grants and equity.







Venture/Organization Name: World's Biggest Garage Sale

Entrepreneur Name: Yasmin Grigaliunas

Email: yasming@worldsbiggestgaragesale.com.au

Description of Venture: World's Biggest Garage Sale is proudly an impact venture (social enterprise), balancing the triple bottom line of people, planet and purpose. While activating the circular economy to provide positive benefit to the environment and people, we are also committed to creating jobs for vulnerable and marginalised members of our community. We are working in the areas of resource recovery of dormant goods (underutilised goods)

through to recommerce and resale-retail.

Stage of Venture: Scale/Expansion

Size & Type of Investment Goal: Seed round of \$2M+ to scale operations globally.



Venture/Organization Name: AgroHub

Entrepreneur Name: Bhuwan K.C. **Email:** bhuwan@meroecoprise.org

Description of Venture: AgroHub is pay-as-you-go service based business model that aims to provide access to solar-powered infrastructure for remote underserved farming communities. These hubs will provide farmers with access to equipment for irrigation, clean drinking water, food-processing and refrigerated post-harvest storage as a service, with ownership of equipment remaining with AgroHub or Ecoprise.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$50,000 as a grant



Venture/Organization Name: Malian Agribusiness Solutions

Entrepreneur Name: Linda Kamau Email: lindanyakio@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Creating sustainable income for small scale farmers through farming

practices that bring more value to the marketplace.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$80,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Mi Terro

Entrepreneur Name: Robert Luo **Email:** robert.luo@miterro.com

Description of Venture: Mi Terro is the world's biotechnology company that upcycles and re-engineers protein food waste into biodegradable fibers to replace plastic in the fashion, medical, and packaging industries.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in SAFE Note







Venture/Organization Name: Acari Entrepreneur Name: Mike Mitchell

Email: mike@acarifish.com

Description of Venture: Acari works with rural fishermen in Mexico to flip the script on the invasive "devil fish", in turn creating new, better economic opportunities while helping restore the natural ecosystem. Acari's primary product is El Diablito jerky, which because of the fish's unique texture, tastes and feels like beef but doesn't come with any of the environmental impact associated with traditional meat farming.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$150,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Nutri-Meal

Entrepreneur Name: Rita Otu Email: peasgogreen@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Nutri-Meal addresses the needs of mothers by improving access to locally produced, low cost fortified meal. Nutri-Meal contains all vitamins ideal for human consumption and provides people with the skills to produce their own low-cost and environmentally sustainable source of vitamins to improve their health. Nutri-Meal have impacted over 100,000 women and children in our 5 years of operation, reducing chronic hunger & undernourishment promoting better health and growth.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$50,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Myfugo Entrepreneur Name: Allan Tollo Email: allan.tollo@myfugo.com

Description of Venture: Myfugo helps improve dairy productivity for small holder farmers by financing the purchase of quality cow breeds with high milk yield and using IoT sensors to give health and reproductive insights for better cow management.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in debt









Email: wail@reyets.com

Description of Venture: Reyets uses technology to protect communities from police misconduct by empowering users to know their rights, record high-risk interactions, and launch community programs to create accountability.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.2M in convertible note, with \$5M cap and 20% discount.



Venture/Organization Name: DID MY Academy Sdn Bhd

Entrepreneur Name: Stevens Chan

Email: stevens@did.my

Description of Venture: We provide Education, Employment, and various Entrepreneur-Enabling aids to children and youths stricken with all forms of disabilities and medical conditions with an aim to elevate them out of discrimination and poverty thru collaborations with partners from the Social, Private, Public, and Education sectors.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Infinite Flow Dance

Entrepreneur Name: Marisa Hamamoto Email: marisa@infiniteflowdance.org

Description of Venture: Infinite Flow is a professional dance company composed of dancers with and without disabilities using dance to promote inclusion and innovation. We transform people and culture through taking DEI out of heads into hearts, bodies, and souls. Our latest project is Scoops of Inclusion, a short film and online education platform empowering kids to celebrate differences, contribute strengths, and be part of creating a world where we each feel we belong.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M charitable contribution, sponsorships, and grants



Venture/Organization Name: Citefull Entrepreneur Name: Crystal Houston **Email:** chouston@citefull.com

Description of Venture: CITEFULL, The Verified News Source helps organizations to activate

passionate communities with trusted news.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$350,000 in equity







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Venture/Organization Name: ZONEZ Music and Art Festival platform

Entrepreneur Name: Cyrus Julian **Email:** cyrusjulian@gmail.com

Description of Venture: ZONEZ is a online/offline marketplace platform that promotes scalable artwalk street festivals to revitalize and develop economic opportunities for underserved communities.

Stage of Venture: Prototype/Idea

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Playground of Empathy

Entrepreneur Name: Kelley Van Dilla Email: Kelley@playgroundofempathy.com

Description of Venture: We offer scientifically-researched magical immersive experiences

that guide you to become the captain of your own emotional journey.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal:



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT







Venture/Organization Name: SALUBATA

Entrepreneur Name: Fela Akinse **Email:** felaakinse@gmail.com

Description of Venture: We occupy a niche of recycled, low-cost plastic shoes that makes

profit, whilst also benefiting people and the planet.

Stage of Venture: Scale/Expansion

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1,000,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Tierra & Lava: Conscious Care with Mayan Wisdom

Entrepreneur Name: Lucy Ashman **Email:** lucy@tierraandlava.com

Description of Venture: Tierra & Lava is a triple-bottom-line (people-planet-profit) business that creates natural skin and hair products inspired by ancient Mayan remedies and wisdom as well as positively impacts our community and environment. We offer the experience of conscious care with QUALITY INGREDIENTS + GENUINELY GREEN PRINCIPLES + SOCIAL IMPACT.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$80,000



Venture/Organization Name: Cabinet Entrepreneur Name: William Chen

Email: william@cabinet.ai

Description of Venture: We are building the next generation of tools to help individuals and organizations attain a holistic view of the stakeholder relationships that underpin their activities, spanning employees, customers, partners, suppliers, government and society.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$200,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Kynsho Entrepreneur Name: George Crichlow

Email: george@kynsho.com

Description of Venture: Kynsho is an outerwear brand that helps people adapt to extreme weather conditions with style that protects. We are a Brooklyn Born, Brooklyn Made company that hires minorities to keep them employed in their local community.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000







Venture/Organization Name: Sol Stories Entrepreneur Name: Jessica Ellerbrock Email: jellerbrock76@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Empower local entrepreneurs to pursue local solutions to global challenges for the planet and people through a crowdfunding platform to share their stories

and connect them to a global network of capital and mentorship.

Stage of Venture: Prototype/Idea

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 in grants



Venture/Organization Name: ServiSenior Entrepreneur Name: Ignacio Hinojosa Email: ignacio@servisenior.com

Description of Venture: We use the gig economy to create flexible job opportunities for Seniors over 50 years old, and connect them to other people and companies that need help solving day to day or administrative and operational challenges.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in Seed/Series A Round



Venture/Organization Name: RADIKAL Entrepreneur Name: Nora Jeanne Joseph

Email: nora@radikal.co

Description of Venture: RADIKAL is a social franchisor creating technology-enabled micro-businesses that serve the bottom billion, offering economic opportunities to micro-entrepreneurs and high quality goods to low-income consumers. Vertically integrated, our innovative model promotes fair trade with farmers/farmer coops, partnerships with production cooperatives to process our handmade organic cosmetics & food brands that are directly distributed to the mass market through our growing network of successful micro-entrepreneurs. High focus on SDGs: 1. No Poverty; 2. Zero Hunger; 5. Gender Equality; 8. Decent Work & Economic Growth; 12. Responsible Consumption and Production.

Stage of Venture: Startup/Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in grants and quasi-equity



Venture/Organization Name: African Arts Arena

Entrepreneur Name: Hamzat Koriko **Email:** amoussak@gmail.com

Description of Venture: An Online African Arts Marketplace

Stage of Venture: Prototype/Idea

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$30,000 in grants and donations







Venture/Organization Name: TungaTunga Hcrafts

Entrepreneur Name: Lornah Mukasa **Email:** tungatungahcrafts@gmail.com

Description of Venture: At TungaTunga, we design and locally make fashion, home décor and crafts products. Our products are designed locally and produced by women from underprivileged backgrounds, including former refugees and ex prisoners, whom we train and pay fair wages. We are also keen to make clothes that fit women of all body sizes to reduce stigma against plus size bodies. We will set up a resource center equipped with production equipment and create a digital platform that will enable designers and volunteers in different parts of the world to share skills in fashion design and production, crafts production, home décor design, entrepreneurship and mentorship with our women beneficiaries.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$30,000 in equity

IMANI COLLECTIVE

Venture/Organization Name: Imani Collective

Entrepreneur Name: Jenny Nuccio **Email:** jenny@imanicollective.com

Description of Venture: Imani Collective is a socioeconomic empowerment program in Kenya that provides dignified jobs to 100+ disenfranchised artisans and staff. Our artisans are employed in our ethical workshops making handmade lifestyle products. In addition to consistent wages, we provide them with holistic care programs like food, childcare, literacy classes and more.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$60,000 for 6-month runway of inventory and marketing

costs



Venture/Organization Name: Publiseer Entrepreneur Name: Chidi Nwaogu Email: chidi.nwaogu@publiseer.com

Description of Venture: Publiseer is a digital platform that helps underserved and independent African writers, musicians, and filmmakers, from low-income communities, earn above the minimum wage and live above the poverty line from the sales of their creative works. Publiseer does this by helping them distribute, protect, promote and monetize their creative works across over 400 well-established partner stores worldwide, at no charge, with just a single click. Every day, Publiseer discovers local African talents and give them a platform to focus on what they love doing the most, which is to create, while we handle the tedious business of transforming their creativity into wealth for them.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in equity







Venture/Organization Name: Film Connx

Entrepreneur Name: Carolyn Pitt Email: Carolyn@FilmConnx.com

Description of Venture: Film Connx is the job marketplace for film that connects studios to vetted local crew. Film crew wages nationwide top \$177B, but the system is broken: local crew members in production hubs struggle to find jobs, while studios pay exorbitantly to import crew to the same production hubs as they lack a way to source local crew. Film Connx's end-to-end hiring + payment platform empowers studios with a pool of vetted local crew, and provides crew with consistent viable work opportunities. We are also proud to level the playing field for women and professionals of color, who are underrepresented in the entertainment industry.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in equity





Venture/Organization Name: Cloudsyte Entrepreneur Name: Dickson Wambua

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Description of Venture: Cloudsyte helps manufacturers automate their daily manual processes like purchase order management, collaboration, production management, incidents, logistics and analytics. This saves employees time and money, streamlines the procurement process and reduces out of stock risks.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$750,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Origyn **Entrepreneur Name:** Davion Ziere

Email: ziere@origyn.eco

Description of Venture: Origyn is a hyper-local, community-centric marketplace that empowers consumers to shop with all community-based businesses, which drives economic development, uplifts underrepresented groups and reduces carbon footprints.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in grants and equity









Venture/Organization Name: Eskwelabs Entrepreneur Name: Angela Chen

Email: Angela@eskwelabs.com

Description of Venture: Eskwelabs is an online data upskilling school in the Philippines. Our mission is to drive social mobility in the future of work through data skills education. And we do that through bringing together the best of online & community-based learning to achieve affordability for in-demand digital and data skills, job outcomes at different skills levels, and a peer community to promote lifelong learning.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$200,000 in equity/grants



Venture/Organization Name: uCollabit Entrepreneur Name: Anthony Molden

Email: anthony@ucollabit.com

Description of Venture: uCollabit is a one-stop social networking app geared toward artists ranging from 18-24 connecting and collaborating across the world. We are creating a launching point for young artists to start their careers and our specific niche is currently focused on college art students, but our big vision is to disrupt the entire creative economy. We are empowering creativity through collaboration and are taking a fresh approach to how we interact online.

Stage of Venture: Prototype/Idea

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$50,000 in capital



Venture/Organization Name: BestFit, Inc.

Entrepreneur Name: Asha Owens **Email:** asha.owens@best-fit.app

Description of Venture: BestFit is a mobile-optimized web platform that empowers underrepresented college students to design their own social safety nets to get through college. Our technology increases timely access to critical resources, benefits, and service providers—providing a one-stop shop for on-campus, community, government, and philanthropic resources.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in equity/grants

Tag: SPECTRUM Entrepreneur



Venture/Organization Name: Lekki Peninsula College

Entrepreneur Name: Bunmi Oyinsan **Email:** bunmioyinsan61@yahoo.co.uk

Description of Venture: Lekki Peninsula College is making quality education affordable to

children from low income families.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in equity







Venture/Organization Name: KlickEngage, Inc.

Entrepreneur Name: Samantha Pratt **Email:** samanthapratt@klickengage.com

Description of Venture: KlickEngage is an ed tech organization that works to reduce education inequality by creating psychologically safe and supportive environments for all children.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in seed funding



Venture/Organization Name: SuitUp Incorporated

Entrepreneur Name: Lauren Reilly **Email:** lauren.reilly@suitupnyc.com

Description of Venture: SuitUp is an education non-profit that partners with corporations across a myriad of sectors to run innovative business competitions with students, grades 5-12, from underserved communities to increase their career awareness/preparedness.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$200,000,000 in grants, recoverable grants, and gifts



Venture/Organization Name: Sidekick Education

Entrepreneur Name: Sarah Shaw **Email:** sarah@sidekick.education

Description of Venture: Sidekick gets more girls into STEM fields by helping them build their

skills, aspirations, and relationships through an AI-powered chatbot.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$750,000 in grants and donations



Venture/Organization Name: SuperBetter **Entrepreneur Name:** Keith Wakeman

Email: keith@superbetter.com

Description of Venture: SuperBetter empowers educators to increase student success and retention by increasing resilience, mental health and social & emotional skills. 1 million people have played SuperBetter so far. Published meta-analyses show it is among the most effective mobile apps validated for reducing anxiety and depression.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$750,000 in equity







Venture/Organization Name: Deepr® Entrepreneur Name: Austin Webster Email: austin@deeprmusic.com

Description of Venture: Deepr® is a music discovery app for iOS and Android that gives creators behind the songs their credit while helping music fans make new music discoveries. Too many of the creators who played a role or are responsible for the music you love are lost and sometimes unknown in the current music streaming landscape. That is important because being recognized impacts how creators get their next opportunity or new fans.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.7M in capital



Venture/Organization Name: Perked

Entrepreneur Name: Gary Yin Email: garyyin@berkeley.edu

Description of Venture: Perked recognizes and rewards K-12 teachers for their work, helping

school administrators stay on top of teacher job satisfaction and retention.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: No immediate fundraising goals









Venture/Organization Name: Prisere LLC Entrepreneur Name: Donna Childs Email: dchilds@prisere.com

Description of Venture: Prisere LLC builds small business capacity for climate and disaster

resilience, particularly important in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$850,000 in sponsorships



Venture/Organization Name: Every Shelter

Entrepreneur Name: Scott Key Email: scott@everyshelter.org

Description of Venture: Every Shelter designs and delivers life-saving shelter products with

and for refugees.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$600,000 in grant funding



Venture/Organization Name: COVID-19Contacts.org LLC

Entrepreneur Name: Myles Mangram **Email:** MMangram@COVID-19Contacts.org

Description of Venture: COVID-19Contacts.org is an innovative for-profit public benefit company dedicated to helping America most effectively defeat the COVID-19 virus, save lives, and sustainably restore our Country's economy. It is a technology-driven platform and network of Professional Investigators (supported by COVID-19 technologies and infrastructure) that delivers 'mission-critical' Contact Tracing solutions to the COVID-19 pandemic fight.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.5M in government grants and impact investment



FINTECH & FINANCIAL SERVICES

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Venture/Organization Name: MiBolsillo Entrepreneur Name: Cynthia Villar Email: cynthia@mibolsillo.pe

Description of Venture: MiBolsillo automates financial health to reduce transaction costs (for both financial institutions and final users) in 4 steps, and promote access to the digital financial services the 400mi un/underbanked individuals, micro & small business owners in LATAM need.

Stage of Venture: Scale/Expansion

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.2M in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Fonbnk Entrepreneur Name: Christian Duffus

Email: chris@fonbnk.com

Description of Venture: We Turn Any Mobile SIM Into A Bank Account For The Emerging World; Driving Financial Inclusion Through Digital Access For Mankind.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$3M in seed round



Venture/Organization Name: MoneyVerbs, PBC

Entrepreneur Name: Isaiah Goodman **Email:** isaiah@moneyverbs.com

Description of Venture: MoneyVerbs helps users practice everything they wish they learned about money in school, from getting out of debt to getting rich. We are taking them on a transformational journey to help them get rich and level up, and be secure in their financial lives. It's not just a learning platform, it's a behavioral change platform that helps people create good money habits and improve their financial wellbeing.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in convertible notes



Venture/Organization Name: ftcash Entrepreneur Name: Vaibhav Lodha Email: vaibhavlodha@gmail.com

Description of Venture: It cash is converting cash to digital payments thereby creating a unique transaction history which didn't exist earlier. We provide pre approved advances/ loans which can be disbursed at the click of a button and which can be uniquely paid back from their daily transactions, something like a daily EMI. While the proliferation of WhatsApp and Facebook has transcended from metros to cities and even villages we believe ftcash will be the enabler for them to accept electronic payments and access to institutional finance. We believe that it's time "The Missing Middle" comes of age and gets access to better health, education, and nutrition through financial inclusion. As most large corporations and banks compete to deliver financial services in India, ftcash captures a formally ignored market like the micro-merchants. It cash creates a simpler way to access the payments into their bank accounts and make transactions in a faster, more convenient manner.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$15M in equity







Venture/Organization Name: All Compliance Services

Entrepreneur Name: Kareem Nakshbendi **Email:** kareem@allcomplianceservices.com

Description of Venture: We provide compliance and security capabilities to governments, banks, healthcare & energy companies, delivered inside of a single piece of software curated to each individual customer's specific needs. ACS narrows the "wealth gap" by helping global financial institutions provide access to traditionally un-banked populations and we also work

methodically to disrupt bad actors and their illicit activities.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$10M



Venture/Organization Name: Rideshare Association of America

Email: Kyle@yorideshare.com

Description of Venture: Rideshare Association is on a mission to provide benefits and give a

voice to one of the most under-represented workforces today: gig drivers.

Stage of Venture: Prototype/Idea

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 - \$1M throguh SAFE financing



Venture/Organization Name: Defynance Entrepreneur Name: Farrukh Siddiqui **Email:** farrukh@defynance.com

Description of Venture: Defynance eliminates student debt through an impact-driven income share agreement powered student loan refinancing and investment platform supported by a resources optimizing earning potential marketplace.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in equity and \$5M for Income Share Agreement (ISA)

Refinancing Fund



Entrepreneur Name: Tanay Tatum-Edwards

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Venture/Organization Name: FreeCap Financial

Description of Venture: FreeCap Financial is a data provider of socially responsible investing criteria. We leverage data insights to mobilize divestment from prisons and exploitative labor and facilitates investments into ethical companies.

Stage of Venture: Prototype/Idea

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.5M totl, \$500,000 in equity and \$1M in PRI loans and

grants











Venture/Organization Name: LVNGbook Entrepreneur Name: Shaun Chavis Email: shaun@lvngbook.com

Description of Venture: LVNGbook offers customizable cookbooks and habit change guides to help people who are living with chronic disease eat to manage their health and create

lasting lifestyle change. **Stage of Venture:** Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$850K in convertible notes, using revenue-based financing

model



Venture/Organization Name: Physician 360

Entrepreneur Name: Angela Fusaro **Email:** afusaro@physician360.co

Description of Venture: Physician 360 empowers patients by providing them tools to diag-

nose and treat simple medical conditions at home.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$5M in Series A funding as equity



Venture/Organization Name: Rubitection Entrepreneur Name: Sanna Gaspard

Email: sg@rubitection.com

Description of Venture: Rubitection's skin wellness tool improves the assessment and care management of dermatological and vascular conditions with an initial application to bed-

sores.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.6M in seed stage as equity or convertible notes

Tag: SPECTRUM Entrepreneur



Venture/Organization Name: SuperFoods Ecuador

Entrepreneur Name: Gizella Greene **Email:** gizella.greene@gmail.com

Description of Venture: We are a socially, environmentally and nutritionally aware company that was created with the goal of making this world a better place, for the people that work with us (our team), our loved clients, and all the communities, entrepreneurs and small companies who supply all the products that we use and sell in our store and restaurant. We work with more than 800 of this startups, and communities and we have already more than 2800 of their products in our store. We have already 18000 customers that visit our store more than 2 or 3 times per month. And we have a team of 14 great professionals, 80% of them are woman. Everything at our company is environmentally conscious and we are working in a lot of projects with our community to promote a conscious and greener lifestyle.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$250,000 in equity







Venture/Organization Name: InovCares Connected Comprehensive Healthcare, LLC.

Description of Venture: InovCares is a digital behavior change care provider that supports type 2 diabetes + hypertension self-management and empower people struggling with

anxiety and depression. Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in grants and equity



Venture/Organization Name: Coconut Whisk

Entrepreneur Name: Nhi Lam **Email:** bella@coconutwhisk.com

Description of Venture: Coconut Whisk is a mission-driven vegan and gluten-free baking mix company. With every purchase, we donate a plant-based meal through our philanthropic partnerships.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 in convertible notes



Venture/Organization Name: Lily Health Entrepreneur Name: MacGregor Lennarz

Email: Mac@Lily.Health

Description of Venture: Lily Health is a digital fertility clinic for women that don't have easy access to doctors. We leverage digital mobile communication channels and AI to make accurate fertility advice easily accessible and affordable. Currently serving over 200K women across East Africa, we seek to be a sustainable and impactful business at a global scale.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1 milion for growth acceleration





Venture/Organization Name: NotesFirst, Inc.

Entrepreneur Name: Patricia Lopez **Email:** patricia@notesfirst.com



Description of Venture: NotesFirst enables healthcare frontliners in underserved communities and low-income markets to document their patient encounters during telemedicine and contact tracing/containment strategies in response to COVID-19.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$250,000 in convertible note



Venture/Organization Name: MYFL Brands

Entrepreneur Name: Mariden Lord Email: mlord@myfloretz.com

Description of Venture: MYFL Brands empower girls and parents with medically accurate

information and puberty products that help girls flourish into healthy women.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$300,000





memorywell

Venture/Organization Name: MemoryWell Entrepreneur Name: Jay Newton-Small

Email: jay@memorywell.com

Description of Venture: MemoryWell is a digital platform for life storytelling. Our network of 700 professional writers works with families, senior living communities and health insurers to replace burdensome intake questionnaires with brief, intimate stories. MemoryWell's portraits enable staff to quickly get to know residents, build empathy and are poignant keepsakes for families. As we stand on the cusp of a telemedicine evolution, never has healthcare felt so coldly clinical and estranged from empathy. MemoryWell solves that by putting the person, instead of the diagnosis, back in the center of care. Not only do our stories connect providers and patients, but the social determinants of health data we pull from them help improve care outcomes. Think of us as a kind of 23&Me of life storytelling.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$3M in priced round



Venture/Organization Name: MDaaS Global

Entrepreneur Name: Oluwasoga Oni

Email: soga@mdaas.io

Description of Venture: At MDaaS Global, we build and operate modern, tech-enabled health

facilities for Africa's next billion.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Access Trax **Entrepreneur Name:** Kelly Twichel

Email: kelly@accesstraxsd.com

Description of Venture: Access Trax sells and rents the only foldable portable pathway empowering people of all abilities to safely and easily access outdoor terrain such as sand, grass, gravel, or snow. Inspired by adaptive surfers, Access Trax was invented by two occupational therapists in California passionate about inclusion.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$250,000 in grants and/or equity within 1-2 years at next

inflection point.



Venture/Organization Name: Crispvision Venture

Entrepreneur Name: Ucheoma Udoha Email: uche.udoha@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Crispvision venture is a for-profit social enterprise, passionately committed to reducing preventable blindness by providing quality, affordable and accessible eye care solutions to under-served communities to increase self-reliance and reduce dependency. We build the capacity of micro entrepreneurs to provide vision screening in underserved communities using our Eye-Test Kits.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$150,000 in grants







Venture/Organization Name: Gobi Support, Inc **Entrepreneur Name:** Judson (Kim) Bemis

Email: jbemis@gobi.support

Description of Venture: Gobi is a 21-day online drug and alcohol early intervention for teens and their parents or guardians. The program is an education-based, self-administered guide to promote self-examination and a healthy lifestyle that helps teens and their parents think about and make better decisions around substance use. Gobi's mission is to provide families and mental health professionals with online solutions to adolescent substance use. Through Google search we target parents or guardians who have become aware that their teenager is experimenting with drugs or alcohol.

A review of the over 500 participants since October of 2018 shows that 60% of teens complete the 21-day program and of those 74% are willing to consider reducing or stopping their substance use, 46% say they are more motivated to change their behavior after doing the program, and 90% of parents and teens now rate our program as helpful and they found the program extremely easy to use, engaging, and have used the walks to build a new level of communication.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: Gobi is a 501c3. We have identified a potential market with therapists that treat adolescents and families with substance use issues. We have currently raised just under \$100,000 of our goal of \$350,000 to initiate our entry into this market segment. We are looking for impact investors and encourage you to check out our booth during SOCAP.



RENEWABLE ENERGY





Venture/Organization Name: EarthSpark International's Participant Power

Entrepreneur Name: Allison Archambault **Email:** allison@earthsparkinternational.org

Description of Venture: EarthSpark's Participant Power builds upon a proven track record in Haiti to scale solar-powered community electricity systems to 22 more towns. The grids deliver affordable, reliable, clean electricity. Gender and economic aspects of infrastructure development are co-designed for local prosperity.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$23M in senior debt and \$600k in equity to complement \$14M in grant, equity, + sub-debt already secured.



Venture/Organization Name: SolarFi Entrepreneur Name: Antonio Dixon

Email: ad@solar-fi.com

Description of Venture: Our thematic focus areas are health, education, and economic development with solar energy access being the thread connecting them all. With the power of Solar and IoT we can lift a generation out of poverty. Access to solar energy and last mile distribution is a mission that SolarFi has tirelessly been working on.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$5M



Venture/Organization Name: Frost Methane

Entrepreneur Name: Olya Irzak Email: olya@frostmethane.com

Description of Venture: Frost Methane tackles concentrated methane emissions from the permafrost to coal mine. We leverage our methane finding and neutralizing technology and

earn revenue from carbon offset markets.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1M in equity and grants



Venture/Organization Name: CLIMATENZA Solar

Entrepreneur Name: Akshay Makar Email: contact@climatenza.in

Description of Venture: CLIMATENZA is a solar thermal company working in India and Chile to accelerate deployment of clean energy solutions across the industrial sector to cut dependency of Industries on Fossil fuels and increase renewable penetration across the sector to meet energy demands.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$350,000 in grants







Venture/Organization Name: Solar Aid Uganda/ Sunnymoney

Entrepreneur Name: Harriet Nongoola Email: nongoola.harriet@sunnymoney.org

Description of Venture: We are a social enterprise dealing in Last mile distribution of solar lights in Uganda targeting rural off grid areas. Our unique distribution model creates awareness and demand of clean energy through school teachers. We have sold over 101,915 solar lights; reached 509,750 people, created over 103m hours extra study time, over 311,000 people experiencing better health and 144,000 tonnes of C02 emissions have been averted. We have the potential to expand our current scope through geographic expansion, market expansion to include Institutions, and new financing offerings.

Stage of Venture: Scale/Expansion

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$205,000 in grants and \$316,000 in debt



Venture/Organization Name: Optimal Technology Corporation

Entrepreneur Name: Reginald Parker Email: rparker@getoptimaltech.com

Description of Venture: Optimal is an award-wining, venture backed, hardware as a service clean tech firm that lowers our customers electricity bill by lower electricity bills by 70% through Optimal Power Solutions, a solution that combines ML-enabled monitoring solutions with efficient energy systems. Optimal's leaders have developed over 30 large scale energy projects in its careers and are ready to scale. Optimal's Go-To-Market Strategy includes securing a contract with htpNRG to deploy 1000 of its Optimal Power Solutions on hotels which will save 750 direct jobs, 3000 indirect jobs, and 6800 tons of CO2 annually.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$3M in seed raise with \$500,000 in already-secured equity



Venture/Organization Name: Econome Entrepreneur Name: Linda Wamune Email: Linda.Wamune@econome.africa

Description of Venture: Econome is a last mile distribution enterprise that provides African households with easy access to quality and affordable life-improving utility products such as solar powered equipment, home appliances and water products through an innovative group financing scheme. Our mission is to make everyday life better for households; one product at a time. Founded 2 years ago, Econome has generated revenues over \$120,000 and achieved break even for field operations and is seeking funds to expand operations across Kenya.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 in grant funds and \$200,000 equity.









Venture/Organization Name: Loo Works Entrepreneur Name: Samlara Baah Email: sbaah@hks.harvard.edu

Description of Venture: By manufacturing toilet systems from recycled plastic waste, Loo Works aims to end preventable diarrheal diseases caused by poor sanitation in marginalized

communities in Africa. **Stage of Venture:** Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$200,000 in debt



Venture/Organization Name: Eazywaste Ghana Limited

Entrepreneur Name: Bernard Brian Cudjoe

Email: brian@eazywaste.com

Description of Venture: Eazywaste Ghana capitalizes on education and technology to recycle plastic waste into pellets and flakes by establishing community recycling banks to create proximity for communities to easily recycle and share the benefits to incentivize attitudinal change. We produce HDPE and PET pellets and baled bottles. Our mission is to take advantage of the circular economy to mitigate climate change and keep the environment clean and green. Since our operation in 2018, we have achieved a recovery and recycling record of 100 tons. Eazywaste Ghana employs 5 permanent and 7 temporary staff of which the majority are women.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: Saathi **Entrepreneur Name:** Kristin Kagetsu **Email:** deals@saathipads.com

Description of Venture: Saathi manufactures 100% biodegradable and compostable all-natural sanitary pads from banana and bamboo fiber. Saathi runs on the principle of circular economy and our goal is to create hygiene products that are good for the body, community, and environment.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: Seed round: \$2.6M in loans and \$2.4M in equity



Venture/Organization Name: OmniVis Entrepreneur Name: Lotte Vandewalle

Email: lotte@omnivistech.com

Description of Venture: OmniVis provides rapid detection of cholera in water to empower communities to proactively control their own health outcomes. OmniVis develops handheld medical devices to rapidly detect dangerous pathogens, anywhere in the world. We detect cholera in 30 minutes, until now, this process took over a week.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.25M to cover the costs of sales and marketing, hiring engineers, global health strategy experts, sales, and marketing experts and manufacturing.



WOMEN & GIRLS EMPOWERMENT







Venture/Organization Name: Heroikka

Entrepreneur Name: Maica Gil **Email:** maica@heroikka.com

Description of Venture: Heroikka empowers women to connect their project ideas and needs with global networks and social capital. This includes women gaining mentorship, visibility and economic opportunities. Our immediate goals are to increase the participation of women in the programs established in their communities, understanding the specific needs for their projects, and made visible these projects to the institutions and partners that run these programs.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$300,000 for product evolution and traction, grow engineering resources, scale and refine marketing and customer acquisition.

Venture/Organization Name: Wenture/Organization Name: Wijin Kim

Venture/Organization Name: Weconnect

Email: jin@weconnect.kr

Description of Venture: We connect is a social startup in Korea that supports the career development of female job-seekers with career gaps. We connect has been providing online recruiting platform which connects female job-seekers and startups since 2018 and also developing various programs for female and providing educational materials that help female professionals understand themselves deeply, find their strengths and interests and set goals for their career development.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 in equity



Venture/Organization Name: FastBeetle Entrepreneur Name: Abid Rashid Lone

Email: abid@fastbeetle.com

Description of Venture: Fastbeetle empowers micro enterprises particularly women to sustain with end to end logistics support.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 to expand, empower entrepreneurs, and reach the

places where no other companies work



Venture/Organization Name: Testhub Technologies AS

Entrepreneur Name: Jens Amdahl Martinsen

Email: jens@testhub.tech

Description of Venture: We remove unconscious bias in recruitment with automated blind

screening.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1-2M in equity





LiisBeth

Venture/Organization Name: LiisBeth Media

Entrepreneur Name: PK Mutch **Email:** publisher@liisbeth.com

Description of Venture: LiisBeth Media is the voice for feminist entrepreneurs & changemakers. Our mission is to help womxn founders learn how to design and operate just, anti-racist, and oppressive enterprises, remake business culture at large-and ultimate transform the economy. We do this by publishing a magazine that spotlights this work, a newsletter that informs, operating an online co-working space where members support each other share their experiments and experiences in this work. We also and produce semi-annual conferences.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 over 3 years

SOMEONE SOMEWHERE

Venture/Organization Name: Someone Somewhere

Entrepreneur Name: Antonio Nuno Email: antonio@someonesomewhere.mx

Description of Venture: Someone Somewhere is a digitally native apparel brand that revolutionizes artisan techniques to create the best products for your journey, while empowering thousands of rural artisans to improve theirs.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: Series A (\$4-6M)



Venture/Organization Name: IDA Entrepreneur Name: Varika Pinnam Email: varika@thinkida.com

Description of Venture: IDA creates more accessibility for women entrepreneurs to connect with mentors, resources, and funding opportunities to start or grow their businesses.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$50,000 in grant funding or equity



Venture/Organization Name: MotherNation

Entrepreneur Name: Adrienne Prentice **Email:** adrienne@mothernation.co

Description of Venture: MotherNation creates spaces for Mothers to care for themselves and each other. Get and give support through personalized Circles, and from all of MotherNation online

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$300,000 in SAFE or convertible note









Venture/Organization Name: SF Urban Film Fest

Entrepreneur Name: Fay Darmawi **Email:** faydarmawi@gmail.com

Description of Venture: SF Urban Film Fest reimagines storytelling as a mode of civic engagement for community groups, governmental agencies and cultural arts institutions interested

in creating just and equitable cities

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 in working capital



Venture/Organization Name: Cafe Ohlone/mak-'amham **Entrepreneur Name:** Vincent Medina and Louis Trevino

Email: dee@makamham.com

Description of Venture: We are a Native American, Ohlone-run organization that operates in our indigenous homelands; we work to revive and strengthen traditional Ohlone foods for the wellness of our people, and we run Cafe Ohlone, an award winning restaurant that is currently on hiatus due to the pandemic. We work to keep our cuisine and culture strong to honor those before us who loved these powerful foods and to have greater visibility for the Ohlone community that we are a part of.

Stage of Venture: Scale/Expansion
Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.5M



Venture/Organization Name: Kindred Post Entrepreneur Name: Christy NaMee Eriksen

Email: christynamee@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Kindred Post fosters a more just and interdependent community through their neighborhood post office, artist-driven gift shop, and creative gatherings.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: TBD

Venture/Organization Name: Music Alaska - Northern Culture Exchange

Entrepreneur Name: Yngvil Vatn Guttu

Email: yngvilvg@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Emerging umbrella for Alaskan music.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$100,000 to pay program and admin staff







Venture/Organization Name: Black Arts Movement Business District Community

Development Corporation (BAMBD CDC)

Entrepreneur Name: Ayodele Nzinga

Email: ywordslanger@gmail.com

Description of Venture: BAMBD CDC organized around 5 pillars- housing, commerce, arts & culture, greater access to vital human services, archiving data, research, & intellectual capital for community access; seeks to animate Oakland's only officially declared arts district, the Black Arts Movement Business District as an arts organization invested in community development and practicing advocacy and stewardship. To date BAMBD CDC has garnered 20mil in community benefit in the form of negotiated BMR retail and residential. The CDC has placed more low income housing in the downtown area than the City in the period of time the organization has been active. We have provided technical assistance for entrepreneurs, granted funding directly to community to mitigate the effect of rapid development with no City plan to alleviate the impacts to marginalized communities, directly supported homeless communities and undocumented community members in the Covid crisis by funding the efforts of organizations doing the work, created a month long festival that employs artist and culture makers in place making and place keeping activities, inspired similar actions by other organizations. This has been achieved with an operating budget of less than 50K.

Stage of Venture: Early

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$250,000 for 2 years operating capital



Venture/Organization Name: Ground Entrepreneur Name: Binta Ayofemi Email: binta.ayofemi@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Transforming urban vacancy to restore Black use, craft, making,

manufacturing, sustenance, and home.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$15M



Venture/Organization Name: Gossypion Investments

Entrepreneur Name: Darryl Ratcliff Email: daratcliff@gmail.com

Description of Venture: Gossypion Investments ("Gossy" for short) is intent on improving the lives of artists, culture makers, and communities through consulting and curatorial advising, real estate, artist management, and PR and branding. Gossy is disrupting the cultural ecosystem by making the art world more inclusive and equitable through its commerce-driven approach.

Stage of Venture: Startup

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$2.5M





THE COLORED GIRLS MUSEUM

Venture/Organization Name: The Colored Girls Museum

Entrepreneur Name: Vashti Dubois

Email: thecoloredgirlsmuseum@gmail.com

Description of Venture: TCGM reimagines the museum as an advocate for the public health concerns of black women and girls which disproportionately impacts the quality of their lives; as economic incubator, as entrepreneurial facilitator, as creative think tank, as an information clearinghouse and as cultural exchange. We recognize the vital role that arts and culture play in amplifying these issues and providing a platform for their consideration.

Stage of Venture: Start-up

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$1.5M

Venture/Organization Name: Foundation for Louisiana

Entrepreneur Name: Maria Cherry Rangel **Email:** maria.cherry.rangel@gmail.com

Description of Venture:

Foundation for Louisiana is a social justice philanthropic intermediary founded in 2005 to invest in the immediate recovery of Louisiana's communities after Hurricane Katrina and today focuses on racial justice, climate justice, criminal justice reform, economic opportunity, LGBTQ organizing, and Louisiana's vibrant arts and culture.

FFL's arts and culture program believes that artists are change agents and are the answer to Louisiana's most critical issues. Through our work we seek to 1) build critical regional infrastructure to support living wages for artists and culture bearers, 2) resource the cultural practices of Black and Indigenous communities navigating land loss/climate change, displacement, and criminalization; 3) Utilize arts as a tool for narrative change for Louisiana's most critical issues. Investment will support 40-50 annual grant awards to Louisiana artists working for social change, 8-12 annual fellowships for formerly incarcerated artists creating new work around the carceral system in Louisiana, a mapping project to assess the needs and realities of Louisiana artists on the frontlines of climate change, and building a cultural master plan to redirect city wide tax dollars to support New Orleans artists working in the cultural economy.

Stage of Venture: Growth

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$5M (\$3M to seed an endowment to fund FFL's arts and culture work into perpetuity, \$2M to resource Louisiana artists and culture bearers impacted by land loss/climate change, displacement, and criminalization).





Venture/Organization Name: SoulCenter Entrepreneur Name: Erin Washington Email: soulcenteratl@gmail.com

Description of Venture: SoulCenter is a creative content development space based in Atlanta,

Ga and Montgomery, AL focused toward creatives of color 18-35.

We offer content development, fellowship programs, and physical space.

Our vision for social change is two-fold: We believe that the multidisciplinary development of future creative leaders in acting, writing, and producing is essential to creating a world with social and artistic changemakers. We also believe that creative physical spaces can be used to reshape the fabric of communities and address social inequities in the Deep South.

Fellowship Program (Atlanta + Online)

Stage of Venture: Start-up

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 (\$250,000 towards space investment in Alabama,

\$150,000 Operating Costs, \$50,000 Sponsoring of 2021-2022 Fellows Program)

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Venture/Organization Name: TINYisPOWERFUL

Entrepreneur Name: Victoria Moore

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Description of Venture: TINYisPOWERFUL.com started as an experiment in Charleston, SC by a grassroots/interracial/intergenerational collective to become a solidarity hub for smaller-than-small businesses, artists, educators, activists and youth. TINYisPOWERFUL.com is being accepted as a mobile app and we have pending artist residencies embedded in tiny businesses. TINYisPOWERFUL.com is designed to be participative, to embody a TINY BUSINESS network with multiple functions: celebrating TINY businesses, their stories and history; encouraging new patronage; sharing our mission of advocacy; and acting as an open source of created assets (newsletters, films, podcasts, artists residencies, history, educational programs, art tools, merchandise, workshops). It is, for now, an online creative place with a strategic plan toward securing a physical "community lab" space within three years.

Stage of Venture: Prototype

Size & Type of Investment Goal: \$500,000 (\$350,000 for 3-year operating & program budget + \$150,000 space investment)

