A journey of innovation

Information about Johns Hopkins Technology Ventures

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Johns Hopkins Technology Ventures (JHTV) commercializes discoveries and innovations emerging from Johns Hopkins in order to positively impact society and grow Baltimore’s economy. We help innovators and entrepreneurs safeguard and commercialize intellectual property, develop startups into sustainable ventures and forge strategic collaborations. In these ways, we bring the benefits of discovery to the world.

Three business units within JHTV support the institution’s mission of translating and commercializing discoveries into accessible technologies, products and services that benefit society.

1. Technology Transfer
As the university’s intellectual property manager, our Technology Transfer team determines which inventions to protect, manages a robust patent portfolio, licenses technologies for development and processes MTAs and NDAs.

Handling 549 invention disclosures in FY17 alone, JHTV has one of the most prolific technology transfer offices in the country.

2. Business Development and Corporate Partnerships
The Business Development team facilitates long-term agreements with industry collaborators in order to translate the novel work of Johns Hopkins researchers into real-world applications.

JHTV has numerous active industry collaborations working to commercialize Johns Hopkins technologies in myriad areas, including oncology, ophthalmology, diagnostics and digital health.

3. FastForward
FastForward is the university’s home for startup activity, providing a suite of resources for Johns Hopkins’ faculty and student entrepreneurs. These resources include affordable space, educational programming, services including mentorship, and access to an array of funding opportunities.

FastForward currently operates four Baltimore-area innovation hubs to facilitate startup activity:

- **FastForward 1812**: 23,000 square feet of co-working, office, conference and lab space in East Baltimore
- **FastForward R. House**: 9,000 square feet of co-working, office, conference and lab space near Johns Hopkins’ Homewood campus
- **FastForward U – Homewood**: A dedicated student hub located on the Homewood campus featuring co-working space, meeting rooms and workstations
- **FastForward U – East**: JHTV’s East Baltimore student hub features 5,000 square feet of co-working, office and conference space

Social Innovation Lab
A part of FastForward, the Social Innovation Lab provides nonprofit and mission-driven ventures with space, mentorship and funding in order to accelerate and increase their social impact. This program supports 10 teams annually from Hopkins and the Baltimore community.

FastForward U
A collaborative, cross-disciplinary resource network established in 2017, FastForward U empowers Johns Hopkins’ student innovators through mentorship, programming, space and funding opportunities.