## SIL ACCELERATOR 2021–22

Accelerating emerging ventures and leaders to change Baltimore and the world.

## **OUR ACCELERATOR**

Our annual six-month Accelerator provides ten early-stage social ventures with funding, mentorship, training, and resources needed to develop into thriving, sustainable ventures that make a measurable impact in Baltimore and beyond. Since 2014, we have accelerated over 100 companies.

## **PROGRAM OFFERINGS**

- Join a strong community of diverse social entrepreneurs.
- Accountability to achieve your set milestones via program and peer support.
- 60+ hours of entrepreneurial training and skills **practice** facilitated by seasoned founders, funders, and practitioners from public, private, and social sectors.
- Funding including \$1000 awards for Accelerator participation, and the potential to win up to \$25K of cohort prizes.
- Engage with Johns Hopkins entrepreneurial ecosystem via technical assistance through Johns Hopkins Tech Ventures' FastForward program and getting plugged into other opportunities across JHU.
- Connections with the greater Baltimore ecosystem through SIL's advisor, alumni, and experts network.
- **Co-working access** at the FastForward U space.
- Exposure via press, JHTV website, and social media
- Flexible programming schedule our meetings are hybrid in late afternoons/weekends, including inperson and virtual gatherings.
- Weekly 1:1 coaching from SIL's Director.

## WHO WE LOOK FOR

- Early-stage innovators working towards a solution with a social or environmental impact.
- Ventures who are in the prototype/pilot phase (for at least six months) or already launched and operating. Ventures should be able to demonstrate accomplishments, traction, or impact.
- Entrepreneurs should be currently based in, focusing on, or intending to engage/form partnerships in the greater Baltimore area.
- Applications are welcome from Johns Hopkins students, staff, and faculty, as well as non-affiliates of Johns Hopkins University.
- Ventures may be non-profit, for-profit, or not yet incorporated.
- We welcome and encourage applications from diverse and traditionally underrepresented founders.



For inquiries, email jhtv-sil@jhu.edu or visit ventures.jhu.edu/sil







Applications for our 2021-22 Accelerator Cohort are open through October 1, 2021.

Learn more about the application process and full program details here.

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