

1776 ANNOUNCES FALL COHORT FOR STARTUP ACCELERATOR

10 APPLICANTS ACCEPTED FOR COHORT FOCUSED ON STARTUPS IN THE REGULATED MARKETPLACE

Washington, D.C. (September 11, 2018)—Today, 1776 announced, after receiving an overwhelming number of applications, the ten companies that will participate in the fall cohort for the newly launched Startup Accelerator. The focus of the cohort centers on an impressive group of founders, operating within a regulated market, with proprietary products and solutions aimed towards building a better tomorrow.

A variety of different sectors are touchpoints for these startups - including health care, education, energy, transportation, retail and real estate. Additionally, the cohort is comprised of diverse founders, each contributing a unique perspective and expertise based on varying identities, backgrounds, and lived experiences.

“With so many exceptional and quality candidates, it was hard to narrow down the applicants to just 10 companies.” said Anthony Maher, Chief Growth Officer and Head of Incubation. “We’re excited about this new cohort and looking forward to working with each them to provide the necessary resources to help them properly build their companies and make them attractive for capital.”

1776 is the nation’s largest network of incubators that seeks to harness innovation and work to solve some of our nation’s most critical issues through the use of technology. The launch of a Startup Accelerator is a key component to fulfilling that mission. The accelerator allows companies to gain access to curated classes and workshops, strategic mentors, and network relationships to provide the founders the intellectual, social, and financial capital necessary for a company’s success. The program is an intensive 3-month program with a culminating Demo Day on Dec. 12th. Sponsors include Pepper SEED, GSquared, and BizDelta who will be leading several of the workshops and classes.

The fall cohort will be physically located at its Washington, D.C. campus located at 1133 15th Street, NW, 12th Floor.

Participating Companies:

[We Are Marcus](#) - We Are Marcus is a character development platform purpose-built for students (boys) of color. In education technology terms, they are a supplemental online curriculum for use in school settings, after-school programs, and a mobile application for at-home, which is being developed.

[Premedly](#) - Premedly is a mobile first, microlearning platform for millennial job-seekers to learn "soft" skills and demonstrate competency to compete for real jobs in health care.

[Henry Health](#) - Henry Health is a technology start-up, app and digital platform that provides self-care support and mental health services to black men.

[Swaggle](#) - Swaggle is a mobile marketplace that makes consignment shopping fun and easy for men.

[Base Operations](#) - Base Operations is a platform that helps people navigate emerging market cities with high crime rates and limited access to security data.

[Roomsie](#) - Roomsie is a two-sided marketplace specializing in providing budget friendly, fully furnished housing to D.C. interns, students & recent grads.

[Mobile Safety Technology](#) - bSafe is a mobile app that lets people use their social network to stay safe.

[Optimanta](#) - OptiMantra is a SAAS company serving integrative medicine practices (IM; e.g., acupuncture, chiropractors, dietitians, naturopaths), with a customizable practice automation platform.

[Well-Kept Beauty](#) - By using a combination of human expertise and machine learning, Well-Kept Beauty helps mobile app users track and monitor cosmetic ingredients; while providing health insights to the FDA /health organizations closing regulatory gaps and oversight challenges surrounding cosmetic safety.

[Last Call](#) - Last Call is a platform that allows restaurants to share extra food they have near closing time for a discounted price.

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