

Tampa Bay Wave welcomes 13 new startups to their Accelerator Build cohort

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TAMPA, FL (November 15, 2017) – Tampa Bay Wave, Inc. (Wave), a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to helping entrepreneurs build, launch, and grow breakout tech businesses in Tampa Bay, has selected 13 new startups to their Accelerator Build cohort out of almost 100 applicants, the largest applicant pool in the history of the organization.

The selected cohort features some of the most promising startups in the Health Tech, Consumer Tech, Ed Tech, Big Data, and Enterprise Tech verticals.

Among the 13 new cohort members, 7 startups have women co-founders, 6 have minority co-founders, and 3 have veteran co-founders. As an effort to invest in women entrepreneurs, Wave's recently awarded \$50,000 SBA grant will also be used to expand programming for women-led startups. Eight of the Companies are also already generating revenue.

The 13 companies hand-picked by the Selection Committee include:

[180byTwo](#): 180byTwo gives you a 360° view of your customers so you can engage them wherever they are.

[Anchor](#): Boats on-demand and waiting at the dock, Anchor is ride-sharing on the water.

[Course Align](#): Helping educators align their coursework with the local job market needs

[Data & Sons](#): Data & Sons is a marketplace for people and organizations to buy, sell, and trade data of all sorts

[Inzata](#): Explore data and model it with the help of artificial intelligence

[Orchrd](#): Using the power of analytics and collaboration tools, Orchrd makes education better for both teachers and students.

[Preferhired](#): A referral-based recruiting tool helping employers find the best candidates and job-seekers find their dream job.

[Records Rescue](#): Connecting attorneys to their client's medical data safely and securely.

[RxLive](#): Connecting patients and pharmacists with a focus on concierge-level service.

[Simply Reliable](#): Workflow and design tools for smart home integration and planning. Simple and reliable.

SimpleShowing: Realtors are expensive. SimpleShowing gives you the tools to buy or sell your own home.

Verapy: Verapy creates immersive games for outpatient physical therapy, disrupting the current rehabilitation model with virtual reality.

Wabi Social: Online dating lacks social accountability and good user experience, Wabi Social is changing that.

“Tampa Bay Wave is thrilled to welcome our newest Accelerator Build cohort to our Tampa Tech Ecosystem. Wave is committed to providing every available resource to launch these promising tech companies to scalable, successful ventures” said Linda Olson, President and founder of Tampa Bay Wave. “We look forward to fueling these startups with the support of our recent fund developments, further helping to close the critical early stage capital gap in our budding tech community.”

Tampa Bay Wave’s nationally recognized accelerator program is renowned for helping entrepreneurs transform their ventures into sustainable businesses that have a strong advantage in the tech industry. These selected companies are part of Wave’s Build-Launch-Grow business strategy that is designed to help accelerator companies advance their startup to the next phase within 6 to 12 months of starting the program.

To learn more about Tampa Bay Wave's accelerator program, visit tampabaywave.org/accelerator

ABOUT TAMPA BAY WAVE:

Tampa Bay Wave, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit providing local entrepreneurs with facilitated access to the resources, expertise and capital they need to grow vibrant technology-based companies in Tampa Bay and create high wage tech jobs, thus fostering an innovation-based economy for the region. Since March 2013, Tampa Bay Wave has supported more than 200 tech startups in Tampa Bay thanks to grant funding from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), plus support from its economic development partners Hillsborough County and the City of Tampa. Tampa Bay Wave also receives support from corporate partners such as Bank of America, Florida Blue, Foley & Lardner, Sourcetoad, Spectrum, Sykes Enterprises, Tampa Bay Rays, TECO, Trenam Law, and Tribridge. For more information, visit www.tampabaywave.org.