

July 1, 2022

The Honorable Larry Hogan Governor, State of Maryland 100 State House

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones Speaker of the House of Delegates Maryland General Assembly State House, H-101 Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Carol L. Krimm House Chair Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee 422 House Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Dr. Margaret Wood and Mr. Ed Coleman, Co-Chairs Maryland Economic Development Commission 401 E. Pratt Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

The Honorable Bill Ferguson President of the Senate Maryland General Assembly State House, H-107 Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Clarence K. Lam Senate Chair Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee 420 James Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Section 10-415(b) of the Economic Development Article, I am pleased to submit, on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO), the quarterly report detailing investments for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of fiscal 2022 (1<sup>st</sup> quarter of calendar 2022).

As required, the report includes the list of the businesses that received support each quarter from programs administered by TEDCO; including the number of employees in the state; capital investment; and projected job creation. TEDCO made 15 investments across 3 programs in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of fiscal 2022, deploying over \$3.7 million to Maryland Qualified Businesses throughout the State. These investments will support the creation of 37 new Maryland jobs in healthcare, cybersecurity, data analytics, and other advanced technology.

Also, in response to the Maryland Economic Development's Commission's request for additional information on TEDCO funds and supported companies, and investment performance, the following page provides the related descriptions. The Board appreciates the support the Administration and General Assembly have provided TEDCO to carry out its mission, and we trust that we have fulfilled the responsibility that you have entrusted to the Directors and management.

Sincerely,

Troy A. LeMaile-Stovall Chief Executive Officer

cc: The Honorable Vanessa E. Atterbeary

The Honorable Delores G. Kelley The Honorable Guy Guzzone The Honorable Ben Barnes

## 3Q2022 TEDCO Quarterly Report - Program & Supported Company Descriptions

# **Seed Fund**:

TEDCO's <u>Seed Fund</u> works alongside our entrepreneurs as partners to drive the next wave of early-stage technology startups. TEDCO leverages our diverse operating and investing experience to uncover opportunities to add value throughout the life cycle of our portfolio companies. The Seed Fund program qualifications include a Maryland principal place of business and least one full-time employee. Krydus, Inc., RallyBright, Inc., U Startups LLC., and SAFE received support from the Seed Fund in 3Q22:

- <u>Krydus, Inc.</u> located in Crofton, specializes in the development and integration of AI products for data analytics and data processing pipelines.
- <u>RallyBright, Inc.</u> located in Bethesda, uses behavioral science and professional development tools to strengthen client employee dynamics and improve performance.
- <u>U Startups LLC</u>, located in Gaithersburg, creates opportunities for students and lifelong learners to expand their worlds beyond a traditional curriculum. The organization empowers students by fostering an entrepreneurial mindset.
- <u>SAFE</u>, located in Rockville, provides automated royalty tracking, collection, and distribution for music NFTs.

## **Maryland Venture Fund:**

TEDCO's Maryland Venture Fund is an early-stage, evergreen venture capital fund dedicated to funding and growing the next generation of outstanding technology-based business in Maryland, with the goal of making meaningful investments into venture trajectory businesses as their first institutional partner. SharpRank, LLC, and DataKwip Holdings LLCreceived support from TEDCO's MVF in 3Q22 (Veralox achieved a milestone payment due through an investment commitment in 2021):

- <u>SharpRank</u>, based in Timonium, is an independent cross-sport ratings agency delivering the data with an information edge.
- <u>DataKwip Holdings LLC</u>, located in Frederick, integrates with existing client systems and fills in data gaps to provide energy consumption, cost, and improvement insights.
- <u>Veralox Therapeutics</u>, based in Frederick, is a biotechnology company developing first-in-class small molecule therapeutics that treat the underlying pathologies of diseases with significant unmet medical needs.

#### **Builder Fund:**

TEDCO's social impact, <u>Pre-Seed Builder</u> fund typically invests in amounts startup companies via convertible notes. Funded companies are also provided Builder Fund resources which may include both hands-on and educational executive support, peer-to-peer mentorship/collaboration, and networking opportunities. The Builder Fund welcomes pre-seed technology start-ups from all industries to apply. However, to be applicable, a company must meet all the following qualifications: (1) principal place of business is in Maryland; (2) at least one full-time employee, and (3) no less than 50% of founders demonstrate economic disadvantage. Astek Diagnostics, Inc., CyDeploy, LLC, Dogwood Gaming LLC., Givhero, Inc., Temperature Safenet Inc. DBA SafeCheck, The Black Brain Trust, and The Magruder Project | Pet Connect received support from the Builder fund in 3Q22:

• <u>Astek Diagnostics, Inc.</u> located in Halethorpe, is a medical device company, formed in 2020 to commercialize a novel technology for detecting bacterial infections in blood.

- <u>CyDeploy, LLC</u>, based in Baltimore City, is an intelligent, automated testing system that demonstrates how an update will affect a client's system, giving the client the control to maintain cybersecurity and cybersecurity compliance while avoiding workforce delays.
- <u>Dogwood Gaming</u>, is an Indie Video Game Development Studio located in Silver Spring.
- <u>Givhero, Inc.</u>, located in Gaithersburg, is an employee wellness and reward solution built for organizations that give back to their communities.
- <u>Temperature Safenet INC DBA SafeCheck</u>, located in Potomac, Maryland, is a comprehensive company wellness data gathering platform consisting of a primary database that keeps daily staff wellness data and a mobile or web-based application whereby individuals can capture daily wellness results through a combination of testing and survey responses.
- <u>The Black Brain Trust</u>, located in Baltimore City, is a social technology company that helps individual and corporate citizens take data-driven actions that create more equitable companies that create a more equitable world.
- <u>The Magruder Project | Pet Connect</u>, located in Silver Spring, works to provide pet service providers with an easier, more cost-effective way to manage their digital solutions.

## **TEDCO Total Value to Paid-In Capital**

TEDCO has had an average TVPI of ~ 1.2 for the last 5 years. TVPI stands for Total Value to Paid-In capital and represents the combined realized and unrealized value of a fund relative to paid-in capital. As the name suggests, TVPI shows the overall value of a fund compared to its cost (a higher TVPI would indicate higher value). Anything above 1 means that there is growth in the fund and the mean average according (to Pitchbook) was less than our reported number, making TEDCO fund performance slightly above average for the period.

# TEDCO Investments - Quarterly - FY Q3 2022

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	Frederick			2/3/2022	1	1	Software	Builder Fund
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	Montgomery	MD	\$50,000.00	3/18/2022	1	1	Gaming	Builder Fund
aithersburg	Montgomery	MD	\$100,000.00	1/11/2022	2	2	Software	Builder Fund
rofton	Anne Arundel	MD	\$200,000.00	3/2/2022	5	3	Cybersecurity	Seed Investment Funds (CIF)
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ockville	Montgomery	MD	\$200,000.00	1/21/2022	2	2	Technology	Seed Investment Funds (TCF)
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