The REDF Accelerator was the best experience I have had in my professional career. I found new concepts, models, and approaches that were so inspirational—things that I took home and implemented immediately.

– Anthony Armour, Executive Director, Neighborhood Industries

The REDF Accelerator gave me the confidence to be a better leader. I feel fortunate to have been a part of this program. The connections I have made will be a great help, not only now but in the future.

– Beth Rocca, General Manager, The Light House Bistro

I had no idea how deep, personal and wide this was going to take me. Mini-MBA does not do this justice. It has been nothing short of life changing.

– Anchi Mei, Executive Director, MAKE Projects
WHO WE WORK WITH

Mission-driven, revenue generating businesses that serve individuals striving to build a better life and overcome employment barriers, including:

- Justice System Involvement
- Homelessness
- Mental Illness and Addiction
- Refugee Status
- Domestic Violence and/or Trafficking
- Disconnection from School/Work for Those Under 25

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

**APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

- Must lead or have full decision-making authority within an employment social enterprise
- Commit to attending all programming and engage in peer collaboration in-between sessions

**ENTERPRISE ELIGIBILITY**

- Must provide paid employment at or above local minimum wage and wraparound services
- Must have $100K–$2M projected earned revenue for current year via sales of goods and/or services.
- Have been in operation for at least 12 months

WHAT TO EXPECT

**STRUCTURE**

- Highly interactive five-month program
  - Three, multi-day sessions
  - Cohort of 12-18 peers
  - Facilitated curriculum focused on strengthening business and programmatic operations

**COMMITMENT**

- Actively participate in REDF Accelerator including attendance & participation in 30 hours of programming during each session.
  - Participation in ~2-5 hours of programming a week in-between sessions. These hours consist of:
    - Post-session assignments
    - Social Hours & Activities
    - Leadership Development Workshops
- Willingness to collaborate with peers in the cohort
- Ability and commitment to provide 2 years of key data to REDF during and after REDF Accelerator involvement

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT US AT CONNECT@REDF.ORG OR VISIT REDF.ORG/ACCELERATOR.

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