

Ministry Accelerator Pilot Process

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Values

Innovation

Self-sustaining

Making a Tangible impact

Missional (ministry beyond the walls of the church)

Outcomes:

- Self-sustaining ministries in churches
- Greater impact than before accelerator
- Network of ministries supporting one another
- Potential future mentors
- Culture of support and sharing

Outcomes/Value

Self-sustaining

- Self-funding
- Giving back to process
- Supportive open-source network of ministries

Innovation

- Something that doesn't yet exist
- Doing something that exists in a new way

Tangible Impact

- Changing community
- Impact increases after participation in program

Missional

- Beyond the walls of the church
- Embodiment of God's love
- Blesses the community

Application/Decision

- August-September
- Looking for church/organizational health
- Looking for groups already making an impact
- Looking for “sturdy” idea/ministry that needs help to get to the next level of impact

Cohort #1

Boot
Camp

Monthly
Check-up

Checking
in

Sending
Forth

Jan/Feb

Mar-Jun

Jul/Aug



Boot Camp:

- 3 Day event in Jan/Feb
- 6 sessions
 - **Intro Session**
 - **Getting clear** (use lean canvas to clarify org's purpose/mission)
 - **Budgeting** (help groups learn about budgeting for success)
 - **Funding Ministry** (discuss ways and methods for getting support)
 - **Volunteer Mgmt** (give methods, tools and resources for recruiting, training, and retaining volunteers)
 - **Lead Mentor time** (time for lead mentors to meet with their groups and have some one-on-one time)
 - **Defining Success** (creating contextual measures for success)
- **OUTCOME:** An action plan with specific next steps for the next 7-8 months



- Monthly Zoom/Skype/Facetime call
- Lead Mentors check in to encourage ministries, offer guidance
- Ministries must be making progress on action plan
- **OUTCOME:** Accountability to the action plan, encouragement and guidance



- One day meeting in August
- Share stories of success, lessons learned
- Spend time outlining next steps for the next 12 – 18 months
- **OUTCOME:** Celebration of success to date and lessons learned, action plan for future



- Grants Committee makes recommendations for continued level/duration of support (if any)
- Possibly recruit leader from ministry to be a lead or content mentor for next cohort
- Share stories of success with DS & conference to excite congregations about ministry
celebrate what God is doing