2019 Q3 Report



From the Director

In the third quarter, the Beaufort Digital Corridor was honored to be a stop for the SC Commerce Office of Innovation's Pen to Paper Tour as well as host the inaugural SC Business Incubation Association (SCBIA) meeting. We supported and saw the creation of the Bridge Fund by Savannah's Creative Coast and the Don Ryan Center for Innovation, and BDC Board Chair Kevin Klingler participated in regional venture capital (VC) events. We also explored new programs for our partnership with USCB that will come into play in 2020 with involvement by BDC Board Member and USCB Beaufort Campus Dean Dr. Robert LeFavi as well as USCB Computer Science Department Chair Dr. Brian Canada. In short, we are working to build sustainable relationships and programs on many levels in the region.

We filmed the first episode of 843TV at

BASEcamp featuring three different angles of
our tech community: Live Work Mentor (with
Alex Krauss of Life Launcher), Residents at

BASEcamp (with Keith McElveen of Wave



Sciences), and a <u>From the Director</u> update.

We will do another two episodes in the coming months.

RESIDENT UPDATES

Jason Williamson, Founder of CIRTEMOrecently acquired by Thorlabs, moved into Station #2. As Jason moves through the transformation, he also brings another tech angle to BASEcamp: optical technology.

Jessica Duke, Huron Consulting, moved into Station #5. Jessica is involved with Telehealth technologies, working collaboratively with clients to define and build telehealth programs.





NEW MEMBERS



The Beaufort Digital Corridor is a community-sourced initiative, and we encourage technology and tech-related companies to become members and be part of the conversation- that will ultimately benefit us all as we grow Beaufort's tech economy. It's easy to become a member-see membership info HERE.

If you are not a tech co, but you support the mission, you can join up as a sponsor!

RENEWING MEMBERS



Wave Sciences is an innovative audio company that is building and licensing its hearing technologies to enable hearing everywhere. Their technologies cut through noise to improve hearing for both people and machines more than ten-fold.



University of South Carolina Beaufort is a small, public university with over 2,000 students from around the world. USCB is a dynamic and vibrant academics community that serves the Lowcountry and beyond.



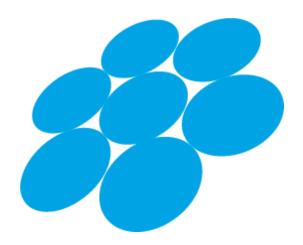
<u>PickleJuice</u> is an award-winning web design, branding and digital marketing agency located in the heart of downtown Beaufort, SC. Infuse your CREATIVE projects with *zesty stuff to relish*.



<u>Southern Sentry</u> is a systems integrator that provides security, fire, and life safety protection systems. This includes alarm, video surveillance, access control, and integrated automation systems.

NEWS + NOTES

Engine took a few moments to ask BDC Chair
Kevin Klingler and Executive Director Shelley
Barratt about <u>Driving Startup Growth in the</u>
South Carolina Lowcountry. And a shout-out
to former BASEcamp resident Dr. Brian
Canada as he works towards release of his
video game Bugs 'N Boo Hags- <u>article in</u>
Lowcountry Weekly here.





COMMUNITY

- TECHconnect continued its trend of new faces at every event- don't miss the last TECHconnect of the year: third Thursday, November 21st
- BASEcamp Gallery enjoyed an exhibit by the many artists in the Photography Club of Beaufort- next up for the fall season: Emily Scott Pack



TALENT

- Game On! had its second summer camp class in July (our best yet!)- thanks to instructor Seth Konoza
- Live Work Mentor entrepreneurs in residence, Life Launcher, finished a business plan and closed out their summer residence at BASEcamp
- CODEcamp instructor for fall is Jarod Valvo, USCB
 Computer Science student



SPACES

- BASEcamp office residency remained closeto capacity
- We saw part and full-time monthly coworking subscriptions, and daily drop-ins by remote workers and visitors
- Local nonprofit Friends of Caroline setup house for a couple of days in the conference room for their annual strategic meeting



CAPITAL

 The big news was the creation of the Bridge Fund in partnership with Creative Coast and Don Ryan Center for Innovation- article by Jennifer Bonnett: <u>Seed</u> <u>grant bridges Savannah region, entrepreneurial</u> <u>effort, article on U.S. EDA grant won here</u>

 If anyone is interested in investment opportunities please contact us

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Our public-private nonprofit 501(c)(6) requires private donations in order to keep our operations and programs running.





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Or, consider sponsoring a TECH connect or Gallery event, CODE camp or Game On!

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Forward

You don't need to be a 'techie' yourself to have a tech startup idea... if you can dream it up, we think there are those right here in Beaufort and the surrounding region that can help make it happen. Run it by us?

Shelley Barratt, Executive Director
 Beaufort Digital Corridor