

From the Director

The [Flagship](#) is here! After five years of planning this key piece of infrastructure for Charleston's tech community has opened. We continue welcoming tech companies to the landmark [Charleston Tech Center](#) and look forward to leveraging the building with new program offering to support our tech community at a higher level. Special thanks to the [City of Charleston](#), [State of South Carolina](#) and [Charleston County Economic Development](#), our partners who played an instrumental role with the development of Charleston Tech Center.

COMMUNITY



Engagement is a key strength of Charleston's tech community. While the past year has put a damper on events that bring the community together, Covid-19 vaccinations are the proverbial light at the end of the tunnel. Starting in May and with the launch of CDCμ, we will gradually and responsibly start bringing back in-person events.

The development of the Charleston Tech Center will also enable the Charleston Digital Corridor to host some smaller community events. Think music, education, tournaments and more!

TALENT



While we have been preoccupied with the development of the Flagship @ the Charleston Tech Center, we have continued to focus on consolidating our education initiatives under a single brand. CDCμ classes and topics fall within three primary areas -

1. Business operations
2. Specific software & tech skills
3. Entrepreneurial inspiration & guidance

An example of in-person classes and workshops that we will be offering starting mid-May will include: *How to Get Your First 10 Paying Users, Beyond the MVP - Efficiency Hacks to Take Your Business to the Next Level, Low Cost Digital Marketing Strategies to Grow Your Business*, and *A Starters Guide to API Design and Scalable Application Architecture*. Details on these in-person classes and more will be posted to the [CDC website](#) shortly.

SPACES



Many years in the making, the [Flagship @ the Charleston Tech Center](#) is here. While some companies have been moving into the CTC since February, the 2nd floor Flagship will be officially open next week and moving in nearly 20 companies on day one.

With a design aesthetic significantly more modern than our previous facilities and amenities including a podcast studio, nap room, custom-built stand-up desks and private digital communications rooms (as in Zoom calls), the Flagship represents our vision for the "new normal" workspace and will facilitate a welcome transition back to the office environment. If you are interested in one of our few remaining offices or would like a tour, [email me](#).

CAPITAL



While not always publicly announced, tech companies in Charleston continue to raise funds and invest in companies to grow their respective businesses. Recently, [Vendr](#) announced the successful completion of a \$50 million Series A round and [BoomTown](#) acquired [Brokermint](#). Both companies continue to hire for key positions to drive growth.

Members & Investors

As a public-private partnership we are grateful and honored for the members of our tech community, public agencies and private citizens who steadfastly support the mission of the Charleston Digital Corridor. Here are just a few of supporters:

[Seek Quality](#)
[Aspetto](#)
[Affirmed Housing Group](#)
[Storm Sensor](#)
[Casa](#)
[843 Benefits and Marketplace](#)

[Research & Innovation](#)
[Holy City Industries](#)
[Cloud Logic](#)
[Bear Cognition](#)
[Benefitfocus](#)

Our Sponsors

COMCAST
BUSINESS

Benefitfocus

Google



Flagship

The [Flagship](#) business incubator at the Charleston Tech Center in Downtown Charleston is a landmark office developed to serve the exclusive needs of tech and life-science companies in the Charleston region. Opening April 12! [Email me](#) to learn more or grab a tour.



Ernest Andrade
Director

Thank you!

Thank you for your continued support of the Charleston Digital Corridor. Our collective achievements are a reflection of your unwavering commitment and collaboration. Continued success!