

# Entrepreneurship and Innovation Contract

## Monthly Update

For The Month Of August, 2023



# Monthly Metrics:

- We served **25** Fayetteville entrepreneurs through **22** 1:1 high quality free consulting, mentoring, counseling, training, support, and assistance engagements
  - **6** women owned ventures through these 1:1 engagements
  - **7** minority owned ventures through these 1:1 engagements
  - **1** veteran owned ventures through these 1:1 engagements
  - Companies like The Library Vintage
- **4** Event, Workshop, and Program engagements led and supported for Fayetteville entrepreneurs serving nearly **205** attendees

# Monthly Progress Highlights:

- Significant planning efforts for Sept 8 Startup Crawl
- Continued leading and supporting virtual and in-person innovation and entrepreneurship focused events.
- Continued support of the City's Outdoor Refreshment Area (ORA) initiative. Critical to helping drive business to our local small businesses while helping mitigate the pandemic.
- Continued to spend significant time and effort in 1:1 no-cost consulting sessions with small business owners and innovators.
- Continued work on the Spectrum Living Solutions project to advance the progress on this critical project.
- Led and supported venture and innovation events ranging from "Intellectual Property Basics" to "Chips Act Summit" – providing maximum relevant education, resources, connections and inspiration opportunities to Fayetteville entrepreneurs and stakeholders.

