

# Unitarian Universalist Common Endowment Fund

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## **UUCEF Commitment to a National Inclusive Economy**



We are proud to have UUCEF as our first faith-based investor, marking a significant milestone in our mission to advance inclusive economic growth. UUCEF's commitment to aligning financial returns with social impact perfectly complements our work at Founders First Capital Partners (FFCP) in scaling diverse-led businesses. Your investment helps fuel our efforts to provide growth capital to underrepresented founders, deeply aligned with our shared goals to close racial and economic equity gaps.

Further, our national platform complements the reach of UUA's national membership across the country. With targeted programing to companies in states like California, New York, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois and more, Founders First is helping UUA members make an impact in their backyard. UUCEF's partnership not only underscores the impact potential of our work but also paves the way for other mission-aligned investors to join us in building a more inclusive economy.



# **Executive Summary :** Founders First Forging the Path to the Mid-Market for Diverse-led Companies

访 OUR 2032 GOAL:

# **1000+** DIVERSE-LED COMPANIES FUNDED ACROSS

**10+** REGIONS OUTSIDE OF MAJOR CAPITAL MARKETS

- Women BIPOC Veterans LGTBQ+
- Located in low and moderate income areas
- Committed to inclusive hiring practices

#### **VISION & MISSION**

At Founders First, we aspire for an **inclusive economy**, where all entrepreneurs thrive regardless of background or geography.

Our mission is to solve racial and social economic equity gaps by **educating**, **funding**, **and connecting** growing businesses owned by diverse founders nationwide.

#### FOCUS

We focus growing diverse B2B & B2G, asset-light, service-based companies who have the potential to grow from:

\$500K-\$5M revenue small businesses



\$10M-\$50M revenue mid-market companies

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#### IMPACT

Companies driving value creation lead to:

- ✓ **Job Creation**, with more diverse teams
- ✓ **Premium Wages** for economic mobility
- ✓ Intergenerational Wealth, advancing social equity

### **Our Model:** Scalable Platform Addressing Barriers to Growth for Diverse-led Companies



Predictable Income,

Engagement, Recognition

- Equity Investors in Company
- Impact Notes for Capital Deployment
- Market Development Grant

#### Performance Tracking

Transparent, Timely, Consistent Reporting

- Quarterly Portfolio Reports
- Quarterly Impact Reports



Innovative, Scalable, Proprietary Equitable Business Funding Platform

OUR ASPIRATION "Industry Recognized as the 'Goldman Sachs' for funding and value-creation for diverse-led businesses" **Growth Programs** High-Quality, Culturally Relevant Services

- Growth Accelerators
- Financial Readiness Tools
- Expansion Advisory
- Grants and Prizes

#### Shared Success Capital

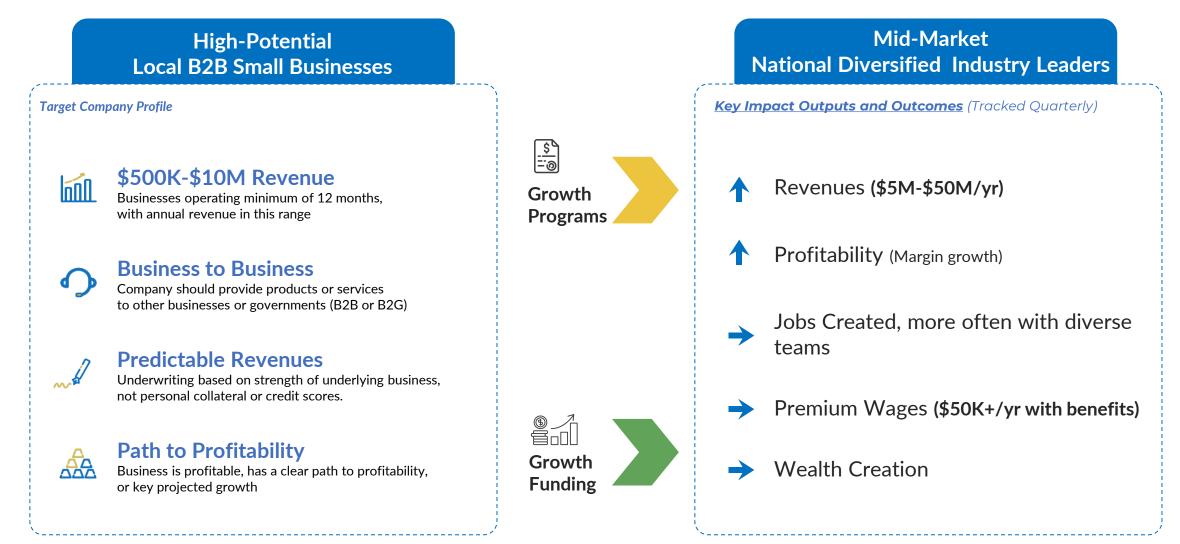
Innovative Alternative Growth Capital

- Revenue-Based Financing
- Growth Term Loans and Hybrid
  Products



**Founders First** 

**Target:** Diverse-Led Small Businesses With Opportunity to Scale - Who Are Left Out of *Traditional Debt and Venture Capital* 

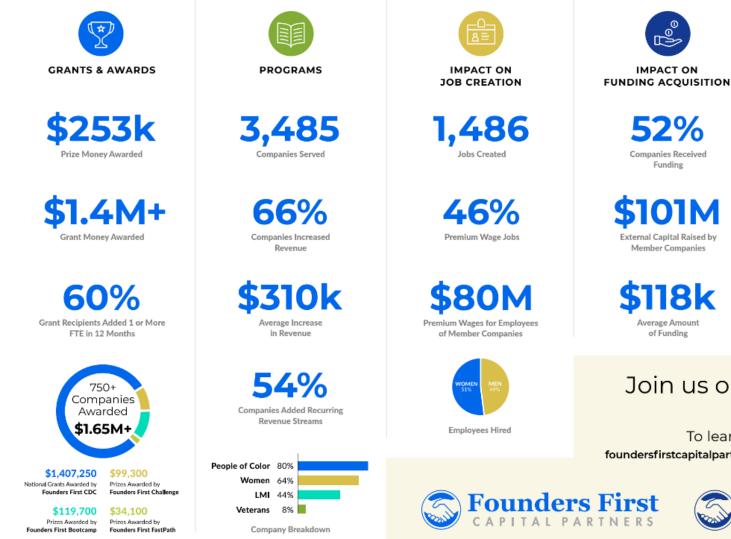


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## **Founders First Q2 2024 Impact Metrics**



**REVENUE-BASED** FINANCING Capital Disbursed by FFCP

> 27% Average Revenue Increased

Average Deal Size

Join us on our mission.

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Funding

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18k

Average Amount

of Funding

To learn more, go to: foundersfirstcapitalpartners.com | foundersfirstcdc.org





# **Our Impact: UUA's Investment is Advancing an Inclusive Economy**



#### Founders First Platform Sustainable and Scaling

- More Loans Originated
- Growth in AUM
- New Capital Attracted

Growing structured finance company as **diverse fund manager** to become a **market leader** 





- Boosted Revenues
- More Profitable Businesses
- New Product Lines
- New Funding Raised

Providing gaps in growth financing that **enable growth and value creation** for diverse-led companies



#### <u>UN SDGs</u>





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#### Local Economies Stronger and More Inclusive

- Job Creation, with more diverse teams
- Premium Wages and Benefits
- Boosted Wealth Creation

Inclusive prosperity in regions through **good jobs** and expanded **intergenerational wealth** 



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# Example Profile: OnShore Technology Group



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