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MIDLANDS
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

FastTrac GrowthVenture Application

2016

Date: _____

Business Name: _____ Contact (Name): _____

Business Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Office Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Website: _____

Business License # _____ FED ID: _____

1. What is the current status of your business?

- Operating an existing business
- Involved in family business
- Planning to expand an existing business
- Purchasing or taking over a business

2. How long have you been operating your own business?

- 3-8 years
- 9-15 years
- Over 15 years

3. Industry Type: Describe your business.

- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting
- Information/Telecommunication
- Real Estate Sales
- Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation
- Management
- Retail Trade
- Construction
- Manufacturing/Production
- Research & Development
- Educational Services
- Professional Service
- Transportation
- Finance and Insurance
- Public Administration
- Waster and Remediation
- Franchise
- Real Estate Rental and Leasing
- Other Services
- Health Care and Social Assistance

4. Describe the nature and the range of the products and/or services you offer. _____

5. a. How many full-time employees do you have, including yourself? _____

b. How many part-time employees do you have, including yourself? _____

6. Do you work full-time in your business? Yes No

7. a. **What is the primary location of your own business?**
- Your home Partner's home Rented space (not home)
- Owned space (not home) Incubator space Other

b. **If other, explain...** _____

8. **What are your plans for the future? For example, improve the quality of the products / services, grow, expand into new product/service lines, test new markets, etc.** _____

9. **Please explain what kind of formal business planning you have done. What impact has it had on your business?** _____

10. **Why do you want to participate in FastTrac Growth Venture?**

“In this course, you’ll create an actionable plan for strategic growth, receive one-on-one assistance from experienced entrepreneurs, and join a learning community of peer entrepreneurs. The benefits last long after the course is over.”

How much does FastTrac GrowthVenture course cost? The cost for FastTrac GrowthVenture is \$825.00. However, the City of Columbia will pay \$500 of the cost. Participants will only have to pay \$325 for registration, books, networking, and lifetime access to resources at Kauffman Foundation.

Course Duration: January 12, 2016 through March 15, 2016. When you submit this application for the FastTrac GrowthVenture course, you are making a commitment to attend all sessions (approximately 30 classroom hours) and to complete all course prep-work. Classes are from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. and meet every Tuesday.

Signatures below represent the primary applicant and two alternates from the same business should the primary applicant be unavailable to attend a session.

Business:

Signature: _____ Signature: _____ Signature: _____

City of Columbia

Signature: _____

Submit completed application with payment (\$325) to the address below not later than December 1, 2015:

Office of Business Opportunities:

Attn: Angelo McBride
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 Columbia, SC 29201
 Phone 803-545-3960 Fax 803-255-8912 or 803.299-8912