



# 2022 FastTrac Growth Venture Application

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?**

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Operating an existing business          | <input type="checkbox"/> Involved in family business          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning to expand an existing business | <input type="checkbox"/> Purchasing or taking over a business |

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

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3-8 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 9-15 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Over 15 years |
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**3. Industry Type: Describe your business.**

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

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

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**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. **How has COVID-19 impacted your business? What changes have you made to sustain your business over the past nine months?**
9. **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.**
10. **Please explain what kind of formal business planning you have done. What impact has it had on your business?**
11. **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 Growth Venture course cost?** The cost for FastTrac Growth Venture is \$825.00. However, the City of Columbia will waive the cost for the 2022 session. Participants that fail to complete a majority of the course sessions, must pay \$325 (if there are special circumstances regarding the absences, the decision to return payment will be made by the Office of Business Opportunities).

**Course Duration: January 11, 2022 through March 15, 2022.** When you submit this application for the FastTrac Growth Venture course, you are making a commitment to attend all virtual sessions (approximately 30 classroom hours) and to complete all course prep-work. Classes will be held virtually every Tuesday from 6:00 – 9:00 PM.

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:

Date:

**City of Columbia**

Signature:

Date:

**Submit completed application to the address below no later than January 3, 2022:**

**Office of Business Opportunities:**  
 Attn: Kalenna Ginyard  
 1401 Main Street, 4th Floor  
 Columbia, SC 29201  
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