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DOPL TECHNOLOGIES NAMED WINNER OF THE 2024 FLYWHEEL INVESTMENT CONFERENCE

WENATCHEE, WA – During the annual Flywheel Investment Conference, sponsored by <u>Ogden Murphy Wallace</u>, <u>Microsoft</u>, and <u>Confluence Health</u>, over \$255,000 was awarded to three companies on April 18. This brings the total to over \$1.5 million that has been awarded to Washington-based companies since the first investment competition in 2018.

The Flywheel Conference was attended by over 400 attendees across three days of activities. On April 17, Latino entrepreneurs participated in Día del Fundador Latino, a startup event exclusively in Spanish. During a lunch panel on April 18, conference attendees learned about Día del Fundador Latino as the participating speakers shared their insights and experiences from the day prior. This panel, attended by over 325 people, highlighted the importance of startup support for Latinos in Washington State and was one of many offerings at the conference.

Flywheel Conference attendees could attend five different workshops with topics ranging from agtech and energy startups to pitching for entrepreneurs and investors. Keynote presentations were given by Taylor Black, Microsoft Incubation Studio; Allison Persitz (Magyar); Elizabeth Scallon, Find Ventures; Sandra Velasquez, Nopalera; and Martin G. Tobias, Incisive Ventures. The conference also offered attendees the chance to network through a downtown pub crawl, awards party, and during free recreation opportunities.

The highlight of the week was the competition where six finalists competed on stage for investment awards. These six finalists came from a pool of 71 applicants from all across Washington State. During the awards party on April 18, Dopl Technologies was announced as the 2024 Flywheel Conference Winner and awarded a \$150,000 investment offer from the Flywheel Angel Network.

Additional award winners included OneCourt, who received a \$50,000 investment award from the Flywheel Angel Network and the Fan Favorite cash prize of \$5,000. Terrantic received a \$50,000 relocation award from NCW Tech Alliance if they choose to relocate their business to Chelan or Douglas counties. Meet the 2024 Flywheel Conference award winners:

Dopl Technologies, CEO: Ryan James, PhD

Rural areas have a higher mortality rate than urban areas. A primary reason is that specialists who diagnose and treat diseases are concentrated in urban areas, forcing



rural patients to travel long distances, receive care late, or forgo care altogether. Dopl's solution is a telerobotic ultrasound system that enables specialists to perform non-invasive ultrasound exams on patients in a different location. Expected benefits include increased patient access to care, improved patient outcomes, and increased revenue and decreased costs for hospitals. Learn more: <u>dopltechnologies.com</u>

OneCourt, CEO: Jerred Mace

OneCourt brings live sports entertainment to 250 million fans with visual disabilities by translating gameplay into trackable vibrations. Most fans today rely on the radio, but it's delayed and often fails to convey spatial detail like ball and player movement. We've worked with the community to design a haptic game-board that conveys gameplay in real-time. Whether in the stadium or at home, fans can watch the game with their fingertips. Learn more: <u>onecourt.io</u>

Terrantic, CEO: Trevor Cox

Terrantic improves shelf-life and throughput for the food industry and process-manufacturing decision makers who are dissatisfied with data silos creating inefficiencies. Our product is an AI powered Contextualization Engine that provides a platform for automating the integration of disparate data sources. We have the only fully dedicated Packhouse Solution in the industry for storage optimization, reducing labor costs, and improving operational efficiency. Learn more: terrantic.com

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You can view the 2024 Conference Program with details on all six finalists, speakers, and sponsors <u>here.</u> The next Flywheel Investment Conference is scheduled for April 16-18, 2025.

About the Flywheel Investment Conference

The Annual Flywheel Investment Conference is organized by <u>NCW Tech Alliance</u> and hosted in partnership with the Flywheel Angel Network. Held in downtown Wenatchee, WA, the Flywheel Conference features an investment competition, educational speakers, and networking opportunities. The conference is a unique opportunity for investors, entrepreneurs, and professionals to come together to connect, learn, and develop resources for building companies. Past investment award winners include Cartogram (2018), Beta Hatch (2019), Agtools (2020), SyncFloor (2021), Iasis Molecular Sciences (2021), BrainSpace (2022), ZILA Works (2022), GemaTEG (2023), Gnara (2023), and Alphi (2023). More information at <u>flywheelconference.com</u>



About NCW Tech Alliance

Since 1999, NCW Tech Alliance has served as the region's tech alliance, championing growth and development in North Central Washington. As a 501(c)3, NCW Tech Alliance's mission is to bring together people and resources in technology, entrepreneurship, and STEM education. For more information visit <u>www.ncwtech.org</u>

Photos for press:

Día del Fundador Latino Speakers: Left to right: Suleiny Altamirano, Tizana Mexicana; Sandra Velasquez, Nopalera; Mina Gomez, Edward Jones; Sebastian Garzon, Alamo Angels; Leo Ochoa, VertueLab; Rodrigo Carriedo, Propio; Ana Sofia Romero, Gloset

2024 Conference Winner Dopl Technologies: Left to right: CEO and Co-Founder Ryan James, PhD and COO and Co-Founder Steve Seslar, MD, PhD

2024 Flywheel Conference Winner OneCourt: CEO Jerred Mace in center

2024 Flywheel Conference Winner Terrantic: CEO Trevor Cox on right

2024 Flywheel Award Winners Dopl Technologies, OneCourt, and Terrantic with the Flywheel Angel Network

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