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CHICOSTART PARTNERSHIP

Invest and engage in the growth of the region's entrepreneurial ecosystem by supporting and empowering the expansion of ChicoSTART programs created for startups, entrepreneurs and small businesses to nourish their ideas and reach their business goals.

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WHY

PARTNER

As a ChicoSTART Partner, you'll play a vital role in driving the success of North State startups, supporting innovative ChicoSTART programs, and nurturing entrepreneurial talent. Partner with us to invest in local growth while showcasing your company's brand across the Northern California region.

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PARTNERSHIP PACKAGES

Our partners are recognized all year including additional GrowTECH FEST visibility.

FOUNDATION PARTNER (\$50,000+)

A “Foundation Partnership” directly invests sponsorship funds into supporting early-stage startups within the ChicoSTART Incubator Program and ChicoSTART Office.

ADVANTAGE: PARTNER TO STARTUP

- Directly impacting the North State entrepreneurial ecosystem and ChicoSTART’s regional CA Accelerated Innovation Hub: Contribute to the growth of promising startups and foster entrepreneurial empowerment.
- Partner participation is in an advisory capacity to influence program structure (if applicable).
- Investment covers full incubation cycles for selected startups, not limited to: mentoring, bootcamps and training, equipment, product development, prototyping and operational support.
- Early Access: Potential for early exposure to and collaboration with, innovative startups.



ADVANTAGE: DIRECT TO PARTNER

- Direct involvement in startup selection for incubation (not mandatory).
- Priority access to review potential investment opportunities from the incubator’s portfolio.
- Exclusive *Foundation Partner* co-branding with ChicoSTART and GrowTECH + Naming rights of ChicoSTART incubation program and ChicoSTART physical space.
- GrowTECH FEST sponsor recognition at *Foundation Level*
- Tax Benefits: Partners qualify for tax deductions or credits of donation.



POWERED BY PARTNER (\$25,000)

The "Powered by Partnership" program channels sponsorship funds directly into fostering the growth of early-stage startups in the ChicoSTART Incubator Program.

ADVANTAGE: PARTNER TO STARTUP

- Directly impacting the North State entrepreneurial ecosystem and ChicoSTART's regional CA Accelerated Inclusive Innovation Hub: Contribute to the growth of promising startups and foster entrepreneurial empowerment.
- Partner participation is in an advisory capacity to influence program structure. (if applicable).
- Early Access: Potential for early exposure to and collaboration with, innovative startups.
- Investment covers full incubation cycles for selected startups, not limited to: mentoring, bootcamps and training, equipment, product development/prototyping, and operational support.



ADVANTAGE: DIRECT TO PARTNER

- Enhanced Brand Image: Positioned as a supporter of ChicoSTART entrepreneurship and incubation program.
- Exclusive incubation program and full ChicoSTART brand recognition at *Powered By Level*
- GrowTECH FEST sponsor recognition at *Powered by Level*
- Tax Benefits: Partners may qualify for tax deductions or credits of donation.



ACCELERATED BY (\$15,000)

The "Accelerated by Partnership" program actively invests sponsorship funds to support and accelerate the success of early-stage companies in the ChicoSTART Incubator and CA Accelerated Inclusive Innovation Hub.

ADVANTAGE: PARTNER TO STARTUP

- Early Access: Potential for early exposure to and collaboration with, innovative startups.
- Provides direct Incubation and CA Accelerated Inclusive Innovation Hub support for startup-specific needs (e.g., bootcamps and training, prototyping resources, equipment, and/or product development)



ADVANTAGE: DIRECT TO PARTNER

- Exclusive incubation program and full ChicoSTART brand recognition at *Accelerated By Level*
- GrowTECH FEST sponsor recognition at *Accelerated Level*
- Opportunity to lead an industry event/workshop
- Tax Benefits: Partners qualify for tax deductions or credits of donation.



THRIVE (\$10,000)

BENEFITS & BRANDING

- Company logo listed as a **"THRIVE"** partner (ChicoSTART website, communications + events)
- Mentorship Opportunities
- Opportunity to lead an industry event/workshop
- Regional access to the North State
- Access to ChicoSTART & GrowTECH resources
- Participate in GrowTECH Strategy Sessions
- GrowTECH FEST **"VISIONARY"** Sponsor



GROW (\$7,500)



BENEFITS & BRANDING

- Company logo listed as a **"GROW"** partner (ChicoSTART website, communications and events)
- Opportunity to lead an industry event/workshop
- Regional access to the North State
- Access to CS & GT events and resources
- Participate in GrowTECH Strategy Sessions
- GrowTECH FEST **"STARTUP"** Sponsor

START (\$5,000)

BENEFITS & BRANDING

- Company logo listed as a “**START**” partner (ChicoSTART website, communications and events)
- Access to CS & GT events and resources
- Regional access to the North State
- Participate in GrowTECH Strategy Sessions
- GrowTECH FEST “**MVP**” Sponsor



LAUNCH (\$2,500)

BENEFITS & BRANDING

- Company logo listed as a “**LAUNCH**” partner on ChicoSTART website + communications and events
- ChicoSTART Mentorship
- Access to CS & GT events and resources
- Participate in GrowTECH Strategy Sessions
- (2) admissions to GrowTECH FEST



2025 Partnership Agreement

Date: _____

Partnership Package:

FOUNDATION
(\$50K)

ACCELERATED BY
(\$15K)

GROW
(\$7,500)

LAUNCH
(\$2,500)

POWERED BY
(\$25K)

THRIVE
(\$10,000)

START
(\$5,000)

Partner Amount:

Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Business Name: _____

Business Website: _____

PAYMENT METHOD: Annually ____ Bi-Annually ____ Quarterly ____

Card Type: Master Card VISA Check/ACH

Cardholder Name (as shown on card): _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date (mm/yy): _____ Cardholder ZIP Code: _____

I, _____, authorize _____
to charge my credit card above for agree upon purchases.

CHECK #:

Partner Signature: _____

Approved by Chicostart Representative: _____