## Spartan Spark Fund Ignites Innovation at UT's Lowth Entrepreneurship Center

[Tampa, FL, February 5th, 2024] – The Lowth Entrepreneurship Center at the University of Tampa unveils the Spartan Spark Fund, a powerful initiative packed with crucial resources and financial support to fuel entrepreneurial endeavors within the university community. The Center hosted a Launch Party last week to get students excited for the new program's possibilities.

With a commitment to boosting entrepreneurial hopefuls, the Spartan Spark Fund offers no-pay-back grants, mentorship programs, and networking opportunities to students looking to turn their innovative ideas into successful ventures. By providing the support and funds needed for students to make their dream a reality, the fund aims to empower students to take vital steps towards their entrepreneurial aspirations.

"The Spartan Spark Fund stands for a significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to nurture innovation and entrepreneurship at the University of Tampa," said Rebecca White, Director at the Lowth Entrepreneurship Center. "We hope that by providing students with the support and funds they need to start on the right foot, we can propel their business dreams forward."

About the Lowth Entrepreneurship Center:

The Lowth Entrepreneurship Center at the University of Tampa is committed to encouraging innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurial



thinking among students, faculty, and alumni. The model entrepreneurship space incorporating

state-of the-art design elements combines educational programs, mentorship opportunities, and real-world experiences to not only develop business, but entrepreneurs.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Lowth Entrepreneurship Center is to inspire, educate, and support the next generation of entrepreneurs. We are committed to providing resources, mentorship, and networking opportunities to help individuals turn their innovative ideas into reality.

To submit an application in hopes of receiving a grant of no more than \$1,500, make sure to include a business plan with financial projections, detailed description of grant usage, proposals from third-party vendors, summary of grant's impact, and a recommendation letter.

For more information about the Spartan Spark Fund and the application process, visit [https://spartancollective.peoplegrove.com/v2/].

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