

### READY TO APPLY?



### **QUESTIONS?**

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## Heart of Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce



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# WHAT IS HEART TANK?

Graduates of the **Wisconsin Rapids Entrepreneurial Training Program** (ETP) are eligible to apply for this grant opportunity from the Heart of Wisconsin Community Incubator, designed to empower entrepreneurs in the Heart of WI area.

#### **FAST FACTS**



Selected applicants could potentially receive a grant up to \$5,000.

\*Heart Tank Committee reserves the right to not issue funds on a case-by-case basis.\*



The grant application will open on the day of ETP program completion and will close 45 days after.



### APPLICATION PROCESS

#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To apply for the Heart Tank grant opportunity, applicants must:

- 1. **Complete** the SBDC Entrepreneurial Training
  Program in partnership with the Heart of Wisconsin
  Chamber of Commerce.
- 2. **Complete the Heart Tank Grant application,** which includes a completed business plan that outlines the vision, operations, financials, and marketing strategy of the business.
- 3. **Deliver a presentation** to the Heart Tank Committee.

## PRESENTATION GUIDELINES

Applicants will present in front of the Heart Tank Committee. Presentations should be 5-10 minutes long and must:

- Showcase the business vision
- A clear explanation of how the funds will be used to start or expand the business.
- Justify the funding request, including the specific grant amount requested (up to \$5,000).
- A compelling "why" to explain why this funding is critical at this stage of your business venture.
- Address questions from committee members