

Kauffman FastTrac®

In partnership with Oakland Thrive

An 8-Week Business Planning Program for Early Stage Entrepreneurs

START & GROW YOUR DREAM BUSINESS

Starting a new business or growing an existing business is a real and achievable way you can create greater financial stability, build generational wealth, and make an impact in your industry and community. Let us help you start and grow the business you've always dreamed of!

With our proven business training in a few short months – not years – you receive vital training, best practices, and insights on relevant business topics like:

- **Market Positioning** Let's figure out what the market need is for your unique product or service and how to position your business value to future customers.
- **Customer Discovery** Determine who that ideal customer is, their wants, needs, and the problem your product or service can solve.
- **Pricing Strategy** Go beyond "guess-based" pricing to ensure you do not undervalue your products and services and markup to ensure you generate profits.

Knowledgeable industry leaders and skilled technical experts help you break down the business jargon and see around corners to avoid costly, time-consuming mistakes. By the end of the program, you will have a roadmap to start or grow the business of your dreams.

(E) Wednesdays, June 18 - August 6, 2025

(C) 6:00 - 8:30 PM (food and drink will be provided)

Riker Building (35 W Huron St. Suite 201 Pontiac, MI 48342)

 $\textbf{Application deadline:} \, \text{May} \, 30^{\text{th}} \, , 2025 \,$

Applicant acceptance confirmation: June 13th



APPLY NOW

This program is offered exclusively to Oakland County residents and business owners.







Summer 2025 Program Schedule **Topic** Week Date Time The Entrepreneurial Lifestyle Week 1 June 18th 6:00 - 8:30 PM **IDEATE** From Idea to Business Concept Market Research Business Model Design Week 2 6:00 - 8:30 PM June 25th **Pricing Strategy POSITION** Wrap Up Business Model & Pricing **Break Out Sessions** Legal Strategy Week 3 July 2nd 6:00 - 8:30 PM **Business Exits POSITION** Break Out Session - Position Module Reaching the Market Week 4 Distribution & Sales COMMIT July 9th 6:00 - 8:30 PM Wrap Up - Reaching & Distribution **Break Out Session** Financial Management Cycle Sales & Cost Projections Week 5 July 16th 6:00 - 8:30 PM Intellectual Property COMMITT Complying with Laws, Regulations, & Contracts **Break Out Session** Building an Organization & Team Cash Needs & When You Might Turn a Profit Week 6 July 23rd 6:00 - 8:30 PM Refining Financial Assumptions REFINE Putting Together a Business Plan Break Out Session Leading the Organization & Culture Week 7 Measuring and Analyzing Financial Results July 30th 6:00 - 8:30 PM LAUNCH **Process Optimization** Break Out Session - Pitch Practice This week will be used for Week 8 August 6th 6:00 - 8:30 PM Presentations/Graduation