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“What can Northeast Ohio do to energize our entrepreneurial ecosystem?”

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

4:30—6:00 pm

Panelists

David Boone, Co-Founder—BlendEd

Todd Federman, Managing Director—North Coast Ventures

Ray Leach, President—JumpStart

Bob Pavey, Partner Emeritus—Morgenthaler Ventures

Pete Wilkins, Managing Director—Hyde Park Angels (Chicago)

Moderator

Michael Goldberg, Director—
Veale Center for Entrepreneurship—CWRU

Location

Link to the virtual platform
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What’s the “so what”:

Small and start-up businesses have been the driver of net new jobs nationally for the past two decades. Without vibrant job creation our local economy will only stagnate.

Perspectives:

Recent press articles suggest Columbus and Cincinnati have robust start-up activity and venture capital support while Cleveland appears to be lagging. Why? What’s different about their start-up environments?

Pittsburgh appears to be an active entrepreneurial hub, attracting small and large tech businesses. If they can do it, why can’t (or hasn’t) Cleveland been able to similarly evolve from old industry to new?

Chicago has a thriving early-stage investment climate.
What can we learn from that ecosystem?

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