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COhatch extends a hand to Columbus creatives with latest university partnership

and more!

BOOSTING A BAG BUSINESS



Chad Porter
Founder/CEO



We recently caught up with Chad Porter, founder and CEO of CHVD JUSTIN, to learn more about the innovative bag brand and how being a COhatch BOOST Scholar has impacted his company. Chad started CHVD JUSTIN during his sophomore year at The Ohio State University in 2019.

“It came about as I was going to class with a big bulky backpack. I had a ton of books, but forgot all of my tech materials,” said Chad. “As a result, I was not able to participate in my first day of class.”

After 3-5 months of sketching, prototyping, and manufacturing, Chad was able to develop his flagship product, the WEARPACK, which has a unique design, making it adaptable to its active users!

“If you want to disrupt the industry, you need to listen to product feedback. We were able to develop the WEARPACK with a new design that was adaptable. I got a trademark and patent, so we can continue to get students to use WEARPACKs instead of backpacks,” said Chad.

Chad recognized that in order to grow his business, he needed to work in an environment that could give him access to a variety of professionals eager to help develop startup organizations.

“After graduation, working at a COhatch was my incubator training, with an environment surrounded by professionals, CEOs, and founders,” said Chad. “That was my investment into growing myself and my business. I was able to procure the knowledge of certain industries, professional rhetoric, and thought processes to grow and incubate my growth as I was bootstrapping.”

Being part of the COhatch community has proven to be beneficial for both Chad and his company.

“I truly see COhatch as an incubator space for us. It’s a collaborative community space

with great opportunities for networking and feedback,” said Chad. “One of our largest corporate clients is actually a nonprofit that works out of a COhatch location. I’ve also received introductions from COhatch co-founder, Ryan Fogelman, to help further the company, and myself, as we grow.”

The future of CHVD JUSTIN is looking bright and we are excited to be along for the ride! As Chad says, similarly to how Steve Jobs turned flip phones into iPhones, his team is going to turn backpacks into WEARPACKs.

“COhatch gives us the ability to walk over to the kitchen, meet and talk to someone with a ton of experience, and get their insight on how we can reach our goals. That’s huge,” said Chad.

“Some people pay thousands of dollars for it, but we happen to get it over a cup of coffee.”



Employee SPOTLIGHT

Jasmine Neloms
Cleveland Operations Manager

Meet Jasmine Neloms, COhatch Cleveland Operations Manager! Jasmine has played an essential role in the development of COhatch Beachwood, as the location’s first Community Manager, and was recently promoted to an Operations Manager role. With a hospitality background, Jasmine enjoys working with people and establishing connections with members. As Operations Manager, Jasmine is also passionate about educating the surrounding community on the benefits of COhatch and increasing brand awareness across the east side of Cleveland.

Last quarter, Jasmine hosted a GIVE Scholar brunch where scholars were invited to bring a nonprofit friend that could benefit from a COhatch membership.

“As a company, we are focusing on putting on more intentional events,” said Jasmine. “The GIVE Scholar brunch was a great way for us to highlight and thank our current GIVE Scholars, while educating potential scholars on how COhatch can best support their nonprofits.”

The brunch featured interactive games like a speed networking event, where scholars were able to meet and network with other people in attendance. There was also a prize wheel that gave guests the chance to win items like an extra meeting room hour, COhatch swag, and more!

Moving forward, Jasmine is excited to host more events for her members that can help shine a light on the advantages of COhatch.

“I love that I’m really empowered to make this space my own and encouraged to bring my own creativity to the Beachwood location as well.”

EVENTS

on the *Move*

Meet Gracie, our refurbished 1975 step up van in Cincinnati! She's joining Columbus' 1962 mobile airstream, Mobi, in providing an opportunity for members and our team to hit the road and have a presence at local events. These on-the-go amenities can be used for everything from serving food to handing out information about your organization.

Sports Adaptive Network has utilized Mobi for the past two years as part of its Haunted Woods of Shawnee Hills inclusive haunted experience fundraiser. They decorate Mobi for Halloween and use it to sell merchandise, food, and hot chocolate. It's a big hit, especially with the kids who attend.

The organization works with veterans, children, and adults with disabilities providing outdoor sports and therapeutic recreation, including snow skiing, water skiing, cycling, kayaking, sailing, and mountain biking with adaptive equipment designed to match peoples' abilities, therefore building skills, self-esteem, and independence.

The Haunted Woods event is part of its social enterprise Get Out Adventures and raises a lot of money to support the organization's services and mission.



GRACIE

Vehicle Type: *Step Up Van* Location: *Cincinnati*
 Year: *1975* Favorite Activity: *Serving Goodness!*

MOBI



Vehicle Type: *Mobile Home* Location: *Columbus*
 Year: *1962* Favorite Activity: *Spreading Community!*



WANT MOBI OR GRACIE AT YOUR NEXT EVENT?

Head over to www.cohatch.com/contact to request it!

#SHOP LOCAL



COhatch+ hosted their second annual Holiday Marketplace during Worthington's Illuminated Shopping Event on Wednesday, December 7th. They were joined by six local vendors selling handmade goods and homemade treats. This time of year is so important for local businesses and makers as they head into the holiday season and finish up the year. Let's take a look at our vendors to learn more about what they make in our communities!



CARDS BY KATHY

Kathy creates intricate cards, stationery sets, and other items from nature photos, craft papers and found objects. Fun fact, all of the photos used in her cards were captured by her husband!



MIDWEST MERMAID

Angela of Midwest Mermaid is one of our own! From 9-5, she works for Brightstone Creative, designing the COhatch spaces you know and love. From 5-9, she is a freelance fine artist specializing in printmaking!



LA DOLCE 'NOLA

This artisan small batch granola company has been a hit at our Market for the last two years! The company's origin story starts with Greg's family, the Dolces, and their love for granola. The name comes from one of their kids asking for more "nola"!



KELSO CO.

Hilary of Kelso Co. specializes in crafting handmade leather goods. She offers a variety of items including wallets, wristlets, bags, and more. She was recently tasked with making passport covers and luggage tags for all COhatch employees and we are all so grateful for her beautiful work.



ALYSSA'S HEALTHY DONUTS

When Alyssa fell in love with health and fitness, she started making healthier versions of her favorite sweet treats: pancakes, waffles, cheesecake, and most importantly, donuts. When she started selling her delicious donuts, her mom jumped right in to help! Now, she runs this business full time and stocks her donuts at over 20 different businesses in central Ohio!



ATLAS CLAY

Atlas Clay is owned by two sisters, Hannah and Allison, who create gorgeous, handmade clay earrings. Although focused on their separate careers, the sisters started making earrings as a way for them to create something beautiful together.

COhatch and COhatch+ are built on the idea of helping local businesses, entrepreneurs, startups, and nonprofits. Local vendors like these allow you to personally invest in your community! Did you know that for every \$1 spent locally, \$3 is circulated in our local economy? We love supporting our makers to ensure their businesses continue growing and succeeding. We can't wait to see what impact they make next year!

Impact **IN OUR COMMUNITIES**

BOOST PITCH EVENT

COhatch Dublin hosted its first annual BOOST Pitch Event for our BOOST Scholars in October! Each scholar was tasked with submitting a two minute pitch prior to the event, and the top five finalists were given a 10 minute slot to pitch the night of the event. The finalists included CHVD JUSTIN, Pelorus Health, Get Together AI, XFROST, and DASI Simulations.

Pitches were judged by Ben Blanquera, Jeff (JD) Davids, Andy Keeler, Connie Matthews, and Ted Adams. Scholars competed for a grand prize of \$20,000 of cash, in-kind COhatch services, and a one week vacation at Sandy Pants, our COhatch beach house in Florida! The runner up won an additional \$5,000 towards their BOOST Scholarship and free strategic planning from judge JD Davids.



Congratulations to the first place winner, DASI Simulations, and to the runner up, Get Together! Although the BOOST Pitch Event was a competition, each scholar made lasting connections within our community. Several



members even offered to help support our BOOST Scholars with ongoing advising!

The event was such a success that we received requests to host more in the future, which made us decide that this will now be an annual event at COhatch Dublin! Thank you to our scholars, judges, and sponsors: Coastal Wealth, SmartMoney Ventures, Clark Schaefer Hackett, and KJK for helping make this an event to remember.



DOING GOOD TOGETHER

On September 19, Jenna Dray, Columbus Market Leader, and Hannah Gantt, Columbus Lead Community Manager, attended Doing Good Together, organized by SocialVentures. The event series, which launched at the beginning of 2022, is a series of regular meet-ups where more than a dozen social enterprises come together to support one another, share what they are currently working on, and what is coming in the future.

Established in 2014, SocialVentures is a nonprofit organization whose mission is advancing the social enterprise ecosystem by empowering businesses

to amplify their social mission while expanding growth and generating lasting change. A social enterprise organization is a profit or nonprofit business that has both a financial return and a societal impact, either through the products and services they provide, or the people they employ. SocialVentures serves and advocates for over 140 businesses advancing solutions to social problems in central Ohio. They provide strategic support, leadership advisory programs, and work to foster community engagement through events such as Doing Good Together. All programs are free of charge for the social enterprise leaders they serve. SocialVentures believes in the power of social enterprise to make our community stronger. Thank you to SocialVentures for investing in our local communities!

OHIO TECH HAPPY HOUR

At COhatch, bringing members of our community together to network, innovate, and empower local businesses is our bread and butter. One way we've worked to achieve this is by hosting Ohio Tech Happy Hours with Ignite With Light and Collaborate And Elevate. This is a casual monthly happy hour for new and old Ohioans interested in connecting with fellow community builders, entrepreneurs, investors, and tech folks in Columbus, Cleveland, and Cincinnati. A perfect time to connect, relax, and share with others!

COhatch Cleveland has seen a great response from the three Ohio Tech Happy Hours they've hosted this year! Over 60 attendees were present for the Happy Hour hosted at COhatch Beachwood and the two hosted at COhatch Ohio City. Christian

Bryant, Sales and Community Impact Leader for COhatch Cleveland, who hosted the Happy Hours, only had good things to say about the events!

"Integrating the community with the environment that we've been able to create with the Ohio Tech Happy Hours has been one of my favorite parts of hosting these events," said Christian. "COhatch is not strictly a business environment, so our spaces give people the opportunity to meet, mingle, socialize, and do business with individuals that they wouldn't normally have."

A special shoutout to our sponsors Fund For Our Economic Future, Cleveland Foundation, JumpStart, Black Men Talk Tech, North High Brewing Co., Team neo, Greater Cleveland Partnership, Venture For America, Collaborate and Elevate, Ignite With Light, for helping us put on these amazing events!





IN-KIND DONATION TO CCAD

We recently announced that we're continuing our work with universities with an in-kind donation of \$315,000 in services to the Columbus College of Art & Design (CCAD), one of the oldest private, nonprofit art and design colleges in the U.S.

The gift, which will be used over the next three years, includes coworking memberships for CCAD faculty, staff, and entrepreneurial alumni, as well as access to meeting spaces, which can be used at any COhatch location.

"As a CCAD alum, it's wonderful to be in a position to give back to the place that built my creative foundation," said Joel Limes, COhatch Co-Founder and Co-Chief Branding Officer. "Our mission at COhatch is to strengthen communities, improve lives, and equip people to be greater, which we hope to do by investing in students, faculty, and alumni. We know that by working together we can increase our impact in the communities we serve."

In addition to access at any physical location, the in-kind donation can also be used for COhatch+, our digital community platform.

"We're excited for the opportunity to bring the

CCAD community along with us as we grow both physically and digitally," said Matt Davis, COhatch Co-Founder and CEO. "COhatch+ will allow recent alumni to really hone their entrepreneurial skills and utilize all of the benefits of being part of our community."

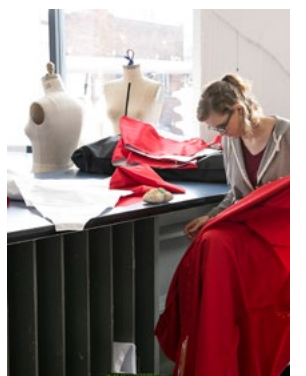
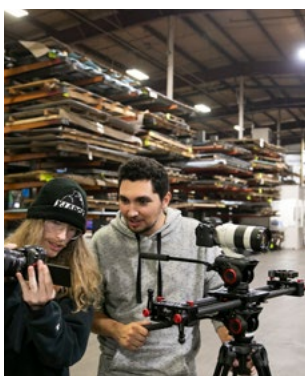
"Creative collaboration is inherent to the CCAD community," said Chris Mundell, Vice President for Institutional Engagement at CCAD. "This generous

donation of professional services from COhatch will enhance ongoing collaboration and the creative process amongst faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as support the CCAD community

as they shape culture and commerce through creativity."

This isn't our only partnership with a university. We recently gave similar gifts to other institutions, including Miami University and Lake Erie College. We also launched a partnership with The Ohio State University in 2021 to develop a Design Lab in our Gateway location, providing space for Ohio State and the community to explore, develop, and expand their digital skills and engage in transformational learning.

\$315,000



IMPACT



\$1,662,300

IN SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN AS OF
SEPTEMBER 2022

Columbus	\$953,000
Cincinnati	\$322,200
Indianapolis	\$205,400
Cleveland	\$172,900
Tampa	\$9,000

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Alzheimer's Association, Central Ohio Chapter
American Association of Service Coordinators (AASC)
American Lung Association
Autism Central Ohio
Autism Society Greater Cincinnati
Aviatrix Accelerators
Back in His Arms Again
Bat Conservation International
Be Greater With
Beachwood 100
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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio
Black Ohio Film Group
Black Tech Columbus
BRITE Energy Innovators
Buckeye Community Hope Foundation
Butterfly Guild of Nationwide Children's Hospital
C.R.A.C.K. Ministries
Cancer Free Kids
Careportal Ohio
Carmel Education Foundation
Catch Them Early
CBMC
Central Indiana Land Trust
Central Ohio Association of Fundraising Professionals
Central Ohio Cru
Chapel North
Childrens Hunger Alliance
Chosen
Christ Community Chapel
Chroma Church
Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy
Citizen 7
Clark County Partners in Prevention
Cleveland Rape Crisis Center
Coalition for Christian Outreach (CCO)
Columbus Fashion Council
Common Ground Free Store
Communities in Schools of Ohio
Community Housing Network
Community of Caring Development Foundation
Connection Pointe Christian Church
Core Legacy
Crazy Faith Ministries
Crohn's & Colitis - Indy
Crossroads Student Ministry
CRU
CRU - Carmel
CRU - Zionsville
Cultivate Works
Damasus
Daughters in Christ Ministries Inc.
Delaware African American Heritage Council
Delaware Bible Church
Delaware City Vineyard
Delaware County Foundation
Delaware Ohio Pride
Design Impact
Diverse Network
Dream Center Indy
Drew's Rainbows
Dwell Community Church
EL'LESUN

EmpoWE-R Women of InfoSec
Empower Our Youth Foundation
Engage Central Ohio
Equal Upper Arlington
Excel Development Co., Inc
Executive Women International
EyeCare4Kids
Face to Face Fine Art Commemorative Expressions
Family Hope
Family Mentor Foundation
Family Promise
FCA
Feed The Kids Columbus
Feeding America
Femergy
Final Third Foundation
Financial Health Network
First Baptist Church of Milford
First Presbyterian Church of Delaware
Flourish Communities Inc
Flying Horse Farms
For Columbus
Franklin County Family and Children First Council
Frontline Freedom
Garden City Church
GiGi's Playhouse Inc. (Cincinnati)
Girls L.E.A.P.
Girls Scout
Good Day
Good News Church
Goodwill Young Leaders Board
Grace Fishers Church
Great Parks
Greater Project
Hands of Hope
Heinzerling Community
Helpline
Hope Church
HOPE International
Huckleberry House Inc
Human Resources Association of Central Ohio (HRACO)
Hyde Park Blast
I Still Want to Be A Mom Foundation
Ian Burkhardt Foundation
Indianapolis-Cologne Sister City Committee
Indy Book Project
Indy Reformed Church
INFINITE POSSIBILITZ
International Friendships, Inc (IFI)
International Microgreen Growers Association Florida
JDRF
JHOback
Joy's House
Jumpstart Inc.
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LEAD Training
Leadership Columbus
Leadership Council For Nonprofits
Leadership Upper Arlington
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Leukemia and Lymphoma Society
Lifepoint
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Listen to our Future
livikelou
Living Tree Church
LPGA Amateurs Golf Columbus Chapter
LSS Lutheran Social Services
Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries Housing & Shelter
Main Street Delaware
Make-A-Wish

Make-A-Wish Cincinnati
Marion Public Health
Mercy Hill Church
Mercy Table
Miami Valley Christian Academy
Midwest K9 Search Team
Mission Increase
Mom Effect
Motherful
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Move for Hunger
My Brother's Keeper
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NAMI Delaware and Morrow Counties
National Association of Women Business Owners
National Network of Youth Ministries
National Network of Youth Ministry
National Youth Advocate Program
Nationwide Children's Hospital Foundation
Nellie's Champions for Kids (NC4K)
NEXT for AUTISM
Northwest Columbus Young Life
Notely
NsideOut Ministries
Nuvo Church
OCEAN Programs
Ohio City Inc.
Ohio Domestic Violence Network
Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council
Ohio Pastel Artists League (OPAL)
Ohio Peer Recovery Organizations
Ohio Pet Charities
One Dublin
Operation Meraki
Orphan World Relief
Parkinson's Foundation
Partners in Play
People In Need, Inc. of Delaware County Ohio
People Like Me
PFLAG Delaware
Pink Ribbon Girls
Plan of Central Ohio
Pneuma Outreach Ministries
Pour House
Professional Athletes Outreach/Sports
Project Fireflies/OneOme
Purposeful Design
Pyramid CDC
Rec2Connect
Redefining Normal
Rein-Work-Force
Renew Partnerships
Renovare Music
Resourceful Nonprofit
Rising Leaders Cincinnati
Riverview International Center
Royalty On The Lake Foundation
Safe Families for Cleveland Children
Sam's Fans
School Rocks Party Box
SCORE
SCORE Columbus
SEA Change
Shape Cleveland
Shared Power Network
She Has A Name
Simply Living
Small Biz Cares
Small Business Development Center
Social Ventures
Sound Aloud, Inc.
Sponsorship for Educational Opportunity
Springfield City Youth Mission
St. John Vianney Catholic Church
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Stone Dry
SullivanMunce Cultural Center
Sunflower Yoga
Susan G. Komen
Sustainable Delaware
Syatt
Syntero
Team Rubicon
The Actions That Matter For Youth
The Be W.I.S.E. Initiative
The Beehive Alliance
The Bethany Fellowships
The Brainwave Network
The Business for Peace Community Development Foundation
The Caring
The Dragonfly Foundation
The Dublin Education Foundation
The EchoSystem
The Greyhound Health Initiative
The Harding-Buller Foundation
The Health Collaborative
The Joe Nuxhall Foundation
The Mirth Project
The Oaks Church
The Parable Project
The President's Council
The Purple Project
The Purpose Promise
The SOAP Project
The Stand Project
The Urban Foundation
The Veteran Narrative
The Veterans Ranch
Think Make Live Youth
Think Veterans First
Three Creeks Church
Thrive Church Inc.
Tri Kappa
Tried and True Parenting
Underground Network
UNDIVIDED
United Mitochondrial Disease
USO
Veritas Community Church
Village Church Columbus
Villages Church
Vineyard Columbus
Vista Community Church
Wheeler Mission
Winchester's Wings
Women Presidents Organization
Women's City Club of Delaware
Worthington Resource Pantry
Worthington Special Olympics
Xavier University
YES! Columbus
Young Life
Young Life - Washington Township
Youth for Christ
Youth for Christ - Zionsville
Youth Lead Alliance
Youth Over Us, Inc./Franklin County
YouthBuild
Zamwell
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BOOST

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Allos Ventures
Asher Inc.
Balance360 Health & Wellness
Beautifully Crafted Interiors LLC
Blended Edge
Blossoming Hearts Yoga
BookTailor

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Bust A Move
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Chvd Justin
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ConnectE
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Currents
Drop the Laces
Dumttd
Electron
Ellequate
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EmPower Health
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Epic Creative + Design
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Experience Alive
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Founders Collab
Fraction.work
Fresh Bloom Bins
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International Spotlight of Fashion
J Daniel Investment, LLC
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Keys To Black Wealth
LAND Moto
Lessons and Letters
Level D&I Solutions
Lopaus Point
Lotus Test Prep
Love & Whimsy Events
LRT Associates
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Manser Edbrooke Technology Inc.
Marley.co
Mary Kay Cosmetics: Brittani
Mastery Portfolio
Melanin Grace Publishing, LLC
Menyoo
Metatopia Network
Midwest Marketplace
Mindset Change Coaching, LLC
mycraft
Nanny FUNDamentals
National Black-Owned Business Network
Naturally Divine Vending LLC
Next Generation Curriculum
ORION Electronics Company, Inc
Ortu Stella, LLC
Owner Actions
Peak Mind
Pippi
Play Atelier

Posh Teatime Co.
Pretty POWERful
Raising the Next Gen
Relax and Flow
Retain
Rip Ranger
Robyn Bragg Coaching
S.T.E.P. Together LLC
SB Freelancing
SBA Community Navigators Pilot Program
ServUS
Shiftr Limited
Smile Mantra
SoleTique
Somocom Lab
Space Intel
Stand Up for Human Kind
Stewart Boutique
Sur(real) Style with Courtney Smith
TalentShare
The Empower Group
The Energy Producer
The Goodbye Plan
The Lady Lounge
The Rookie Season
The Stories We Tell
The Sustainability Textile Marketplace
Treehouse
UAVistas LLC
Udderly
Uleet
Vaughn Rankin Commercial Cleaning
VitalXchange
Woman Up
Workmorphis
YeSi! Creative Marketing
Your Development Resource
Youtopian Society

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Big Kitty Labs
Boardman Arts Park
Cincinnati Country Day School
Cincinnati State
City of Carmel
City of Upper Arlington
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Color Coded Labs
Columbus Region
Columbus State
Developmental Disabilities Group of Clark County
Goshen Local School District
Hamilton County Center for Career Achievement
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Mason Deerfield Chamber
Mayor of Milford
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