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## Pecha Kucha & QCForward Combine Forces

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- [Apply for Impact3!](#)
- [Applications accepted through February 13, 2015.](#)
- [Up to 10 finalists will be selected.](#)
- [12 week accelerator program runs March 9 – May 29, 2015.](#)

[Check out the video from last years program;](#)





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A banner for the IMPACT &gt; U program. The text "IMPACT &gt; U" is in a bold, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a description: "An accelerator program for aspiring college-age entrepreneurs seeking to launch or scale an innovative startup." Below the text is an orange geometric pattern consisting of a series of triangles pointing upwards. The background is a light grey.

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- [Apply for ImpactU!](#)
- [Applications accepted through February 28, 2015.](#)
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- [10 week accelerator program runs June 1 – August 14, 2015.](#)

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A video player interface for the IMPACT &gt; U program. The main text "IMPACT &gt; U" is in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below it is the text "A PROGRAM DRIVEN BY QUEEN CITY FORWARD" with a red arrow pointing to the right. To the right of this text is a play button icon. Below the play button are social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, YouTube, and Instagram. At the bottom is the website address "WWW.QUEENCITYFORWARD.ORG". The video player controls are visible at the bottom, including a play button and a progress bar.

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Pecha Kucha Charlotte & QCForward are partnering to bring artists and social entrepreneurs together to create positive social change. Join us the evening of Feb 24th at 6pm at the McColl Center for Art & Innovation to learn more about the next PK event. Socialize, meet with artists/designers as well as other social entrepreneurs. The final event – the Pecha Kucha Night - will be on Thu, April 30, at Amos' Southend. [RSVP here.](#)



Get your tickets now to the SEED20 Competition. Up to 10 finalists will give three-minute pitches of their big ideas to a panel of judges and hundreds of forward-thinking Charlotteans. As part of the live audience, you get to vote for your favorite to win a cash prize!

We are excited that two member's of Queen City Forward's Innovaton Challenge cohort are in the finals. Lynn Caldwell and the [Charlotte Food Innovation District](#) and [Green Teacher Network](#).  
Get your tickets now.

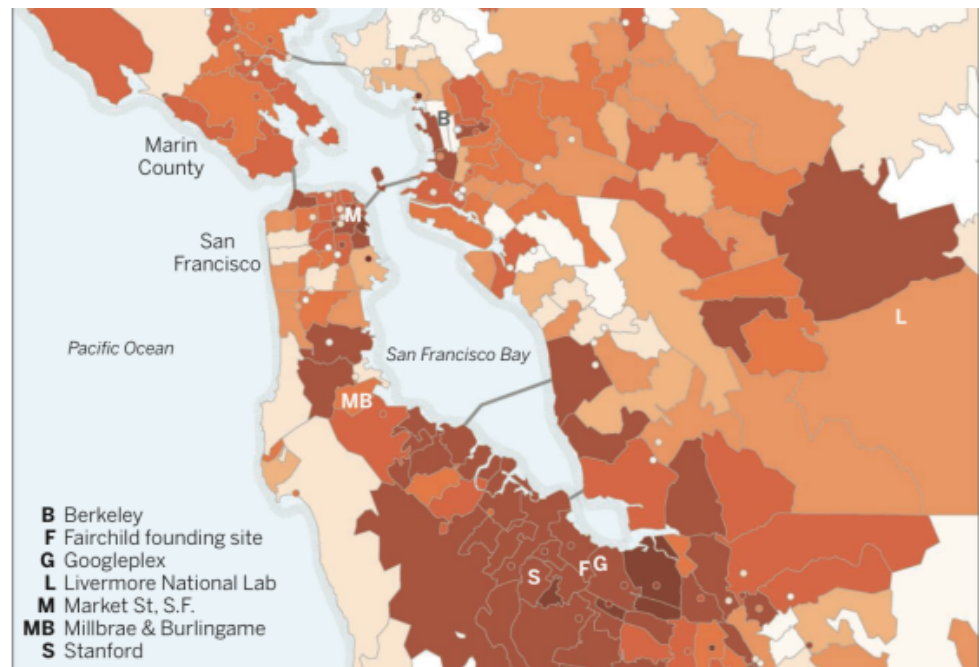
[SEED20 OnStage!](#) is [Social Venture Partners'](#) (SVP) annual program that spotlights and supports the region's most innovative and effective ideas for tackling pressing social challenges.  
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## WCCB Celebrates Black History Month

[Check out this interview of Queen City Forward's Executive Director Charles Thomas as WCCB News celebrates Black History Month and Charlotteans shaping the future of our region.](#)

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## **Startups, A Rich Man's Game**

- as published at [techcrunch.com](http://techcrunch.com)

[Jorge Guzman and Scott Stern, researchers of entrepreneurship at MIT, released a study this week of entrepreneurship quality by zip code. They wanted to develop a predictive model that could project the number of high-growth startups in a region using available data like a company's name and whether its incorporation was filed in Delaware. Unsurprisingly, they found that the startup quality in much of Silicon Valley was significantly higher than elsewhere in California.](#)

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