

**Topic:** Entrepreneurial and Training**Convener:** Chenelle  
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Raymond**Room:** F**Discussion Summary:**

Open a community center that is used to develop entrepreneurial ideas and the entrepreneur. Pair up a mentor and mentee. Market the idea. Help people to identify what they are good at and enabling them to identify the community need.

Include venture capital for entrepreneurial incubation areas. The center will provide the resources for the entrepreneur. Is there a limit to the ideas that are allowed? The group focused on:

- networking and collaboration of how to build an infrastructure for entrepreneurial types of business and partnering with existing resources
- helping others to seek funding opportunities
- providing a support structure for creation and development
- creating a blog or e-mail list for ongoing conversation

Have a conversation with church clergy on community development through entrepreneurial development.

How to proceed: Determine existing resources

How to find venture funding

Identify contacts

Examine other cities that have fostered and nurtured entrepreneurial ventures.

**Meeting time:** Session 3: 11:30 a.m.**Recorder:** Felicia Black