NYCEDC
2027 Founder Fellowship

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New York City Economic Development Corporation

65M+
Sq Ft of Real Estate

450+
Projects

5
Boroughs



South St. Seaport



Hunts Point



Staten Island North Shore



Willets Point



Brooklyn Army Terminal

Founder Fellowship Program Goals

- **Build a more equitable and inclusive economy** in NYC by providing startup founders traditionally underrepresented and underserved in the tech industry the support they need to activate their potential
- **Increase access for underrepresented founders** in NYC to networks of capital providers, advisors, mentors, founder peers, startup programs, and other critical resources needed to grow their companies
- **Enhance NYC's leadership as a global epicenter of innovation** by supporting tech startups to grow and scale locally in collaboration with the city's tech and venture capital industry

Founder Fellowship Impact to Date

486
Founders Supported

$257M
Capital Raised

$1B+
Total Valuation





Founder Fellowship Over the Years









Katey Cox (ServiceNetZero)

2026 Company Ventures Founder Fellow

NYC EDC



Program Eligibility & Applicant Criteria

- **New York City-Based**
  - At least one founder must live in NYC and have a city address, both preferred
- **Tech or Tech-Enabled Startup**
  - Product or service must be tech-based or tech-enabled
  - Business model must be aligned with a venture-backable startup
- **Minimum Viable Product**
  - Must have an MVP or prototype, or a substantive business model and plan
- **Program Participation**
  - Company cannot have participated in a previous Fellowship program supported by NYCEDC, and may not participate in another accelerator program between March and June 2027
- **Additional Criteria**
  - See individual Program Operators

Program Operator Intros

Meet the Chloe Capital Team

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Program Operators



Program Operator Breakouts

Timeline

Application Deadline: December 16, 2026

Selection Notification: February 2027

Program Start: March 2027

Program Operator	Start Date	End Date
Chloe Capital	March 4	June 10
Company Ventures	March 8	June 25
Newlab	March 10	Sept 23
Visible Hands	March 15	June 18

Thank You!

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