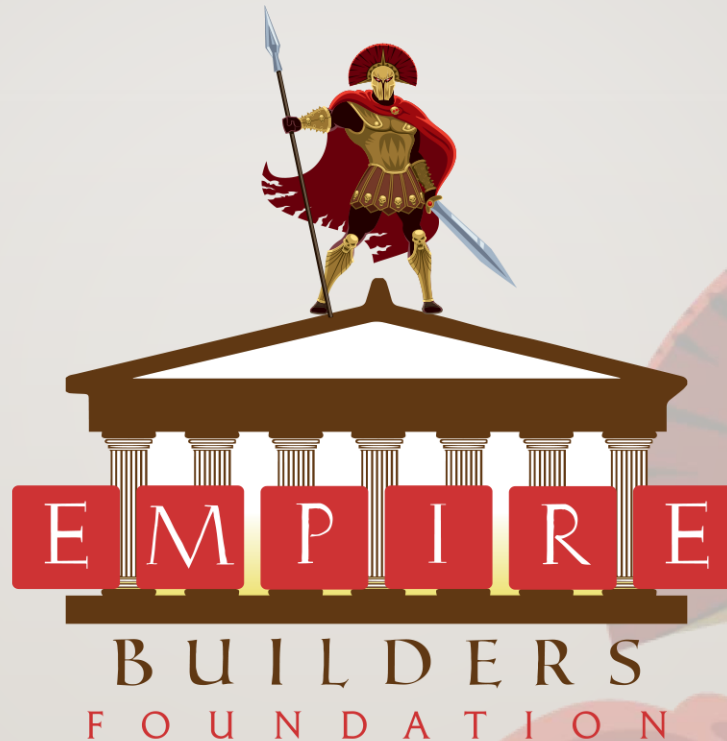


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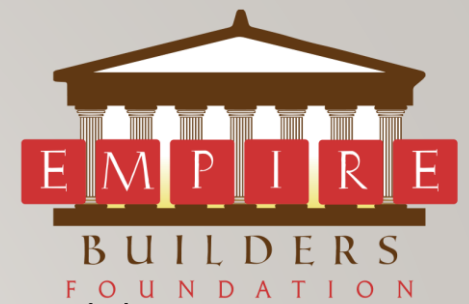


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The Mission



We created our foundation with the mission to empower and create opportunities for future and current business owners from marginalized communities and disadvantaged areas with a dream of business ownership. We help these startups, entrepreneurs, and small businesses build, grow and maintain sustainable businesses. These businesses create wealth, jobs, and more diversity in the economic development of our communities while eliminating cycles of poverty for the underserved.

Your donations allow us to aid these groups with mentoring, consulting services, and joint execution to provide unbelievable opportunities to change their individual lives, their communities, and create generational wealth for their families. We teach them how to fish, fish with them, and guide them as they become fishermen themselves.

We Build Empires!



Board of Directors



Vince Edwards

Founder and Business Consultant

He strives to improve the lives of individuals and businesses seeking to grow and improve. He is the CEO of Empire Builders. He has helped businesses raise capital through debt financing and investments.



Taunya Phillips

*Assistant Vice President,
Technology Commercialization,
Wayne State University**

She is passionate about giving back and improving the lives of women and minorities. She has been involved in Economic Development for over 2 decades.

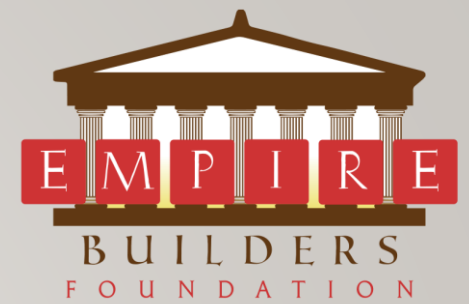


Kathie Stamps

Writer and Entrepreneur

She has embraced business ownership for over 20 years. She ran a small business support organization for 10 years. She is active in the local business community and is a strong advocate for women's rights and equality. She is the owner of Stamps Communications.

Why the Mission?



Rise of Necessity for Entrepreneurship: Many individuals below the poverty line turn to entrepreneurship out of necessity, often due to limited access to stable, formal employment. In the United States, the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor (GEM) has shown that about 25% of early-stage entrepreneurs cite a lack of better work options as a reason for starting a business.

Income Inequality and Entrepreneurship: Research suggests that people in low-income communities are often motivated to start small businesses to supplement low wages. For example, the *Kauffman Foundation* reported that a significant portion of new entrepreneurs come from lower-income backgrounds.

Barriers to Capital: Access to startup capital is often a primary barrier. People in poverty typically have less access to traditional lending sources, which stifles business growth. To address this, community-based organizations, microfinance institutions, and government programs like the *Small Business Administration's Microloan Program* provide small-scale funding to individuals who might not qualify for traditional loans.

Self-Employment Statistics: According to the *U.S. Census Bureau*, self-employment rates are higher among lower-income individuals, but business longevity is often shorter. Businesses started by those with fewer resources are likelier to close or remain very small, often because of limited funding and market access.

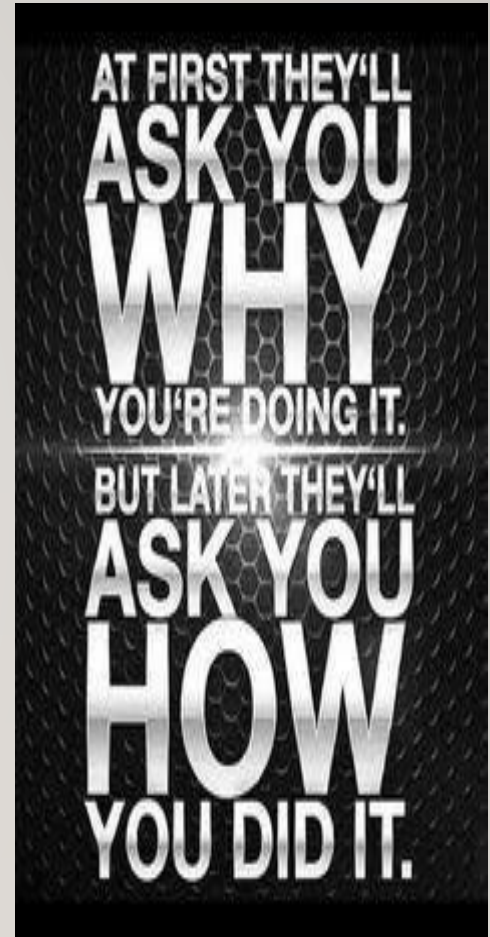


What We Do

We offer multiply programs and services for future and current business owners. We provide the following expertise and services for our applicants:

- Business Acceleration Program.
- Opportunities for investment.
- Consulting and coaching for founders.
- Mentoring and Internships for students who desire to start businesses.
- Sales, Marketing, and Execution expertise.

Partnership – We establish long-term relationships with our warriors. We win together...we build and conquer together!



Empire Builders Foundation



Our Program

When accepted into our program, each founder/business owner goes through an assessment with one of our consultants and we design a customized plan based on their unique needs. They are enrolled and given access to our virtual accelerator. Our program terms can be 3, 6, or 12 months depending on the needs of that client. All clients will have 12 months of access to our accelerator program and resources. When accepted, all applicants will pay a nominal registration fee.

Process

Application



Selection Committee



Accepted



Empire Builders Foundation



First and foremost, **Empire Builders Foundation** appreciates any and all donations. We call any gift received a “Working for Change” donation. All donations help us with our mission. We are a recognized 501(c)(3), so your donations can be tax deductible. Please contact us at info@builders.us for information on how you can help change lives. Hit the donate button on the website to donate directly, www.empirebuildersfoundation.org. Any and all “Working for Change” donations are greatly appreciated!!!

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you may be a boss....
but do you have
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