

# Meet the 2024 Techstars Founder Catalyst WaterTech & Sustainability Cohort

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Techstars, the world's most active pre-seed investor, along with the Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority and The University of Alabama, is thrilled to unveil the inaugural cohort of the Techstars Founder Catalyst WaterTech & Sustainability Program, which officially kicked-off on April 1st, 2024.

Our cohort comprises 20 startups from all over the world in the WaterTech and Sustainability sectors, tackling pressing issues such as:

- Water mismanagement due to infrastructure challenges
- Increased subsurface moisture which accelerates road failure
- Waste in oceans
- Wastewater disposal and purification

During the 10-week program, participating startups receive mentorship, entrepreneurial training, and access to Techstars' global network of experts. Cohort founders also have the opportunity to attend a Founder Retreat in Tuscaloosa, Alabama led by Techstars and supported by the Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority and The University of Alabama. The program culminates in a pitch presentation during an End of Program Showcase to be held in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Congratulations to our 20 Selected Companies (in alphabetical order):

Adetex.ID  
A&B Smart Materials  
AquaMnara  
Aquatrax  
Bluekali  
BlueLabs  
Cole Tech Group  
D-Olivette Solutions  
Electromaim  
Gaia Agriculture & Technology  
Hydropool  
Hydrosight Solutions  
Meknology  
SharyCo  
SIPP Safely  
SmartSprout Technologies  
Solaxy Group  
TDRI Limited  
UrbanBlue Technologies  
Water Monster

### **About Techstars**

Techstars is the most active pre-seed investor in the world having invested through its accelerators in more than 4,000 companies. Founded in 2006, Techstars believes that entrepreneurs create a better future for everyone and great ideas can come from anywhere. Now we are on a mission to invest in an unprecedented number of startups per year enabling more capital to flow to more entrepreneurs around the world. We do this by operating accelerator programs and venture capital funds, as well as by connecting startups, investors, corporations, and cities to help build thriving startup communities. [www.techstars.com](http://www.techstars.com)

### **About TCIDA/TCEDA**

The Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority, doing business as the Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority, is the economic development agency for all jurisdictions within Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, for manufacturing, technology and knowledge-based investments. TCEDA is a one stop source for accessing site location data including available sites and buildings, financing, employee training, and incentives. Through its efforts and partnerships, the Authority strives to contribute to a positive quality of life for Tuscaloosa County and its citizens, through new opportunities, investment, jobs, and tax revenue.

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