

# **NVBC Capital Raising Seminar**

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#### **OUR MISSION**

# Change the world through entrepreneurship





## Spring

is a global community that helps **purpose-driven** leaders and entrepreneurs amplify their impact.

We provide the **tools**, **knowledge**, **mentorship**, and **support network** to help them build a better business.





## 700+ Spring Alumni



\$13M+ Capital Raised



## 350+ Companies Launched

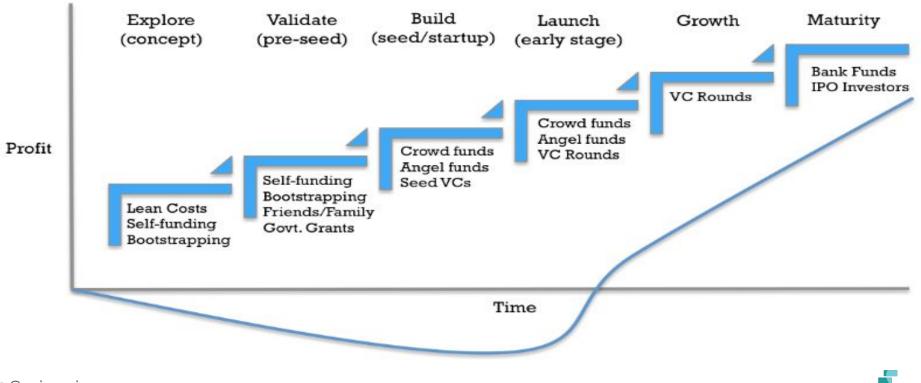


At Spring, impact means fostering social, environmental, and financial sustainability into all of the businesses we work with.

# Diving In

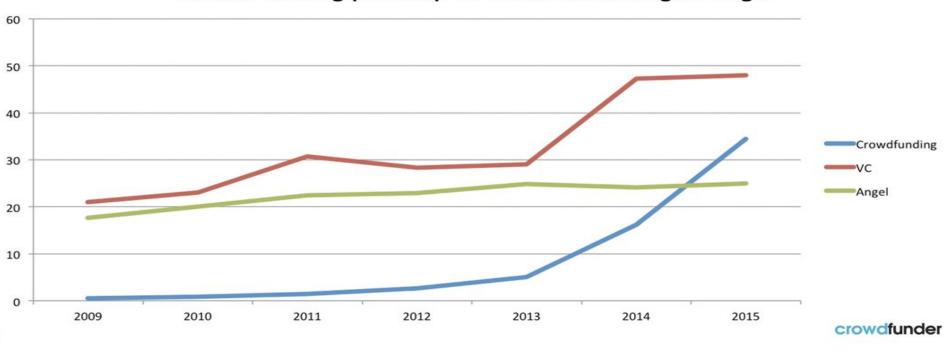


#### The typical funding landscape



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#### Crowdfunding: A whole new channel exists



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Annual Funding (Billions): VC vs. Crowdfunding vs. Angel

#### Debt & Grants: Non-Dilutive Options





#### Angels and VC's Locally



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#### Look at All Types of Funding Equally

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## You + Friends & Family Revenue EVERYTHING IN MODERATION. Grants & Loans EXCEPT CHOCOLATE. Crowdfunding Except Chocolate by Spot\_Of\_Tees Zazzle Equity

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#### Your Funding Puzzle

- Understand WHY you are fundraising
- Explore your options (debt, equity, grants, mix)
- Make a plan & be prepared



# Start with the End in Mind



- Raising capital is a full-time job
- It needs to be done efficiently
- Goals help you achieve the right round





#### Think about your own goals

- How quickly do you want to grow your business?
- How big do you want your company to be?
- How long do you want to run your business?
- What kind of impact do you want your business to have?

#### Key goals to define

- How much?
  - Minimum, Target, Maximum
- What kind of money?
- When do you want the money in the bank?
- Who is your ideal investor?



# Focusing on Raising Equity



#### The Process

#### How much and By When?

Seasonality

Ideal investor focus

Set the right foundation

Target 40 investors

Pre-plan your traction

Find your warm intros

Pick 2-3 Advisors



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Deliver on the progress

Everyone has a lens

Focus

More traction

Aim for 120+% verbal

Chase and negotiate



#### Ideal Investor: Universal Truths

- 1. Industry and/or Business Model
- 2. The right network
- 3. Has geographic relevance
- 4. Return and/or exit aligned
- 5. Focus on impact



Key Questions: Early Stage Investing

#### When will I get my money back?

#### Why else am I doing this?

Can I trust you & your team with my money?



#### Pitch: Working backwards

- What are the Top 3 points?
- Think about the points that will help tell that story
- Leave an impression of you and your team
- Give them the big idea



#### Sample Due Diligence Process

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#### PRE DILIGENCE

- FIT
- QUALITY OF SOURCE
- PROBLEM BEING SOLVED
- FIRST IMPRESSION

#### PHASE 1

- TEAM
- TECHNOLOGY
- DISTRIBUTION
- REVENUE MODEL

PHASE 2

- SWOT
- TOTAL ATTAINABLE MARKET
- RISKS

#### PHASE 3

- LEGAL DILIGENCE
- FINACIAL ANALYSIS
- CAP TABLE
- TERM SHEETS

Source: Invested Development, 2013.



#### 411 on Early stage Valuation

- Comparable transactions
- Market response
- Accounting methods
  - Discounted Cash Flow
  - Probability weighted cash flows and net present value







#### You drive the bus





#### Know your audience







#### Remember, life happens





#### Relationships rule





#### More support?

Check out

• Spring leader's roundtables

- Spring workshops
  - Online funding
  - <u>Others</u>

<sup>aSpring</sup>Fundraising <u>blog</u>



## Thanks!





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