

Now in its sixth iteration, the **NEXT Venture Pitch Conference** is a half-day pitch competition that brings together high-growth entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, world-class speakers, and more to establish Greenville as an innovation and entrepreneurship hub in the southeast. NEXT Venture Pitch is hosted by NEXT, an entrepreneur support organization serving high-growth, high-impact companies in the Upstate of South Carolina.

This year's events will include a Pitch Screening Party on September 1st for attendees to view the recorded pitches of 30 semifinalists and vote on which companies will advance as finalists to pitch at the conference on September 16th. Following the afternoon pitch conference, all attendees and pitch companies are invited to attend a social mixer after party. Details about each event and conference speakers can be found [on our event website](#).

Each pitch applicant will be required to submit a short questionnaire and a 3 minute recorded pitch video by August 15th to be considered.

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: Can I apply for Venture Pitch if I applied or was chosen in the past?**

A: Yes, you can apply again this year!

**Q: What stage of companies can apply for Venture Pitch?**

A: A company at any stage of growth can apply for Venture Pitch.

**Q: Is this event the right fit for my company?**

A: Venture Pitch is a great fit for companies that are in the southeast and that would be considered investable in the next few years. You do NOT have to be currently raising money to apply. Many companies present to raise awareness for future capital raises.

**Q: Who will be reviewing my application?**

A: All applications will be confidentially reviewed by the Venture Pitch Selection Committee. If you are selected as a semi-finalist, your video will be presented to event

attendees for a chance to be selected as a finalist. Only the submitted video will be presented to attendees, no other submitted files will be made public.

**Q: Who will have access to the video I submit?**

A: Since selected videos will be presented to event attendees, you should assume that the video will be publicly available.

**Q: When is the deadline to apply?**

A: Applications will be accepted from June 21<sup>st</sup> to August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Q: How do I know if my application is received?**

A: You will receive a confirmation email. The email will include your submission as well as a link for part 2 of the application.

**Q: I lost the link to submit my video, where can I find it?**

A: The link will be in the confirmation email you received from your initial application.

**Q: Where do I apply?**

A: You can apply here: <http://bit.ly/ApplyforNEXTVenturePitch>