



Photos From TTDC Tennessee NEXT Conference's Venture Showcase Competition

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TTDC GOES GREEN, GRANTS \$10,000 AWARD TO GREENE TURBINE

Tennessee Technology Development Corporation (TTDC) has granted a \$10,000 business development award to Greene Turbine, a Memphis-based company that has designed a novel engine turbine that can produce electricity while submerged in rivers or oceanic streams. Greene Turbine was one of 28 high-potential, early-stage businesses that pitched their ideas at TTDC's Venture Showcase competition, which was part of the **Tennessee NEXT 2011 Conference** held in Nashville on May 5-6. **Tennessee NEXT** is the state's only conference focused exclusively on innovation-based economic development. Pictured (l-r) are TTDC President/CEO Dr. Leslie Wisner-Lynch; Greene Turbine executives Sam Lackey, Mike Roberts, Geoff Greene and John Hochstein; Venture Showcase panelist and Audience Point CEO Andy Perez; and TTDC Vice President of Operations Dr. James Stover.

TTDC CARES, GRANTS \$10,000 AWARD TO CARE TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Tennessee Technology Development Corporation (TTDC) has granted a \$10,000 business development grant to Care Technology Systems (CTS), a Nashville-based company that provides a cost-effective solution to remotely monitor the well-being of the elderly or disabled people living independently. CTS was one of 28 high-potential, early-stage businesses that pitched their ideas at TTDC's Venture Showcase competition, which was part of the **Tennessee NEXT 2011 Conference** held in Nashville on May 5-6. **Tennessee NEXT** is the state's only conference focused exclusively on innovation-based economic development. Pictured (l-r) are TTDC President/CEO Dr. Leslie Wisner-Lynch; CTS Founder Jim Anderson; Venture Showcase moderator and TriStar Technology Ventures Co-Founder Christopher Rand; and TTDC Vice President of Operations Dr. James Stover.

THE LIVING'S FINE; TTDC GRANTS \$10,000 AWARD TO HOWSTHELIVING.COM

Tennessee Technology Development Corporation (TTDC) has granted a \$10,000 business development grant to How's the Living (HTL), a Knoxville-based company that operates the website howstheliving.com, which provides an online community for college students. HTL was one of 28 high-potential, early-stage businesses that pitched their ideas at TTDC's Venture Showcase competition, which was part of the **Tennessee NEXT 2011 Conference** held in Nashville on May 5-6. **Tennessee NEXT** is the state's only conference focused exclusively on innovation-based economic development. Pictured (l-r) are TTDC President/CEO Dr. Leslie Wisner-Lynch; HTL Co-Founders Aeron L. Glover and Kaliv Parker; Venture Showcase moderator and Claritas Capital Entrepreneur-in-Residence Mark Montgomery; and TTDC Vice President of Operations Dr. James Stover.

TTDC GRANTS \$10,000 AWARD TO WORK FOR PIE

Tennessee Technology Development Corporation (TTDC) has granted a \$10,000 business development grant to Work For Pie (WFP), a Memphis-based company that allows software developers and technical content producers to create an online showcase of their skills and work. WFP was one of 28 high-potential, early-stage businesses that pitched their ideas at TTDC's Venture Showcase competition, which was part of the **Tennessee NEXT 2011 Conference** held in Nashville on May 5-6. **Tennessee NEXT**

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About the 2011 Tennessee NEXT Conference

The ***Tennessee NEXT Conference***, held annually in Nashville, is the state's premier event devoted to innovation-based economic development with a focus on commercially promising technologies, early-stage businesses and the resources required for highly effective translation of technology to the marketplace. The event, previously known as the Tennessee Innovation Conference & Venture Showcase, drew more than 400 attendees this year, nearly double from 2010. ***Tennessee NEXT*** featured more than 40 panelists, presenters and special guest speakers discussing "what's next" in driving economic growth and job creation in Tennessee. ***Tennessee NEXT*** is presented by Tennessee Technology Development Corporation, with support from the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Entrepreneur Center and partners of the Tennessee Enterprise Network. For more information about the conference, visit www.tntechnology.org/conference.

About TTDC

TTDC is a private, non-profit organization focused on increasing science and technology business development in Tennessee. Designed to improve the statewide business climate for innovation and entrepreneurship, TTDC serves as a complement to ongoing business recruitment and expansion efforts of state and local officials. TTDC is funded under an agreement with the state of Tennessee.

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