



OKLAHOMA
COMMERCIALIZATION
NETWORK Powered by OCAST

ANNUAL REPORT

FY2025

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REI Oklahoma

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The Verge OKC

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Gradient

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Jayden Thomason, Marketing Specialist

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OCN Partners

i2E	46 (FortySix) Capital
Gradient	Boyd Street
REI Oklahoma	Cortado Ventures
The Verge OKC	Oklahoma Life Science Fund
Chickasaw Nation	Plains Ventures
Choctaw Small Business Development	Tulsa Economic Development Corporation (TEDC)
Endeavor	Dunlap Coddling
GrantVEST	Head, Johnson, Kachigian & Wilkinson PC
Greater Oklahoma City Chamber	McAfee Taft
OK Catalyst	OCU Law
Oklahoma Small Business Development Center (SBDC)	Oklahoma Business Incubator Association (OKBIA)
OKC Innovation District	OSU Office of Technology Commercialization
Tulsa Regional Chamber	OU Office of Technology Commercialization
Build in Tulsa	The University of Tulsa
Oklahoma Farm Bureau	Presbyterian Health Foundation
TechStars	Meinders School of Business at OCU
MaxQ	Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation
InAsMuch Foundation	gener8tor Oklahoma City
NEOKC Renaissance – Oklahoma City Minority Founder Accelerator (OMFA)	
Linear Health	

Oklahoma Commercialization Network

The Oklahoma Commercialization Network, (OCN), exists to serve as the front door for entrepreneurs across Oklahoma, offering an approachable entry point into the state's growing entrepreneurial ecosystem. Initiated and powered by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST), OCN aims to be the central hub where tech startups and scalable businesses can access the resources, expertise, and connections they need to thrive, from concept to funding. OCN's mission is to enhance and diversify Oklahoma's economy, and to create new and improved job opportunities in alignment with OCAST.

During the first year, we began with four partners and expanded statewide to 38 partners. Together, we hosted programs and cross-promoted one other's events, resulting in the metrics listed.

OCN Activity Metrics for all partners

INQUIRIES

370

INTRO WORKSHOP ATTENDEES

211

SKILLS WORKSHOP ATTENDEES

1,578

COMPANIES IN BOOTCAMP COHORTS

26

BRIDGE2 PRE-ACCELERATOR
PARTICIPANTS

15

SUBJECT MATTER MENTOR MATCHES

50

NUMBER OF OCN-BRANDED EVENTS

28

FY2025 Programs



E3 Evaluates opportunities, equips entrepreneurs with the tools they need to launch and empowers them to create high growth companies.

This six-week intensive bootcamp explores the product/market fit for new business concepts and helps existing businesses find new customers. At this early stage of business, only a small percentage of founders continue to business formation and fundraising.

COHORTS SINCE 2015

58

PARTICIPATING COMPANIES

185

**E3 GRADUATING COMPANIES
RECEIVING INVESTMENTS
BY i2E/PLAINS**

51

**DEBT/EQUITY INVESTMENTS BY
i2E MANAGED FUNDS**

\$17,220,410

**OUTSIDE FUNDS RAISED
BY E3 GRADS LEVERAGING i2E
INVESTMENTS**

\$36,514,704

FY2025 Programs

BRIDGE2

Bridge2 is Oklahoma's Pre-Accelerator for high-growth startups across the State of Oklahoma. Bridge2 is an advanced program designed to help startups secure meaningful funding by providing essential advanced services often unavailable in other programs. This robust 16-week, two-phase program offers a combination of seminars, one-on-one expert advice, access to analytics tools, and mentoring. Upon successfully completing Phase 2 of the program, participants are eligible for \$50,000 pre-seed funding to leverage early capital towards defined milestones. Below are companies successfully completing the Bridge2 curriculum in FY2025.

FY2025 Cohort Participants

- DiVO Payment Systems
- Gigfalcon
- Mom Aid
- Moonbase
- ENF Foods
- Tobe Energy
- LOVE Mobile
- First Americans Marketplace Exchange
- CerTracker
- Probound AI
- American Prime Sustainable Solutions
- Virtual Start AI
- CoreScribe
- EC.DATA

FY2025 Closed Investments

BRIDGE2

Upon successfully completing Phase 2 of the Bridge2 program, participants are eligible for \$50,000 pre-seed funding to leverage early capital towards defined milestones. Below are companies successfully completing the Bridge2 funding diligence and received the convertible note in FY2025.

FY2025 Funded Companies

- DiVO Payment Systems
- Gigfalcon
- Mom Aid
- Moonbase
- ENF Foods
- CerTracker
- Probound AI
- American Prime Sustainable Solutions



OCN ECONOMIC IMPACT

The OCN is a collection of individual organizations that make up a broad statewide network of resources for entrepreneurs. i2E collaborates with OCAST on a state provided economic impact survey. The other partners self report.

The partners of the OCN collect various economic impact reports. Here are the highlights from each partner:

Gradient

479 Companies Served
3,816 Job Created
\$147.9M Gross Sales

REI Oklahoma

1780 Companies Served
2510 Jobs Created or Retained
59% Rural Investment
41% Urban Investment

The Verge OKC

First Economic Impact Report to come in 2026

FY2024 i2E ECONOMIC IMPACT SURVEY BY OCAST

GROSS SALES

\$2.7M

ANNUAL PAYROLL

\$2.3M

FULL TIME EMPLOYEES

33

AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE

\$107,534

NEW PATENTS ISSUED

11

i2E OK Technology Commercialization Center Statement of Financial Position

As of June 30, 2025

Accrual Basis

Jun 30, 25

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

10100 · Operating Account 51,617.68

Total Checking/Savings 51,617.68

Accounts Receivable

11000 · Accounts Receivable - OCAST 340,560.76

Total Accounts Receivable 340,560.76

Total Current Assets 392,178.44

TOTAL ASSETS 392,178.44

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

20000 · Accounts Payable 30,022.95

Total Accounts Payable 30,022.95

Other Current Liabilities

21000 · Due to i2E, Inc. 268,352.47

21010 · Due to iMCI 5,216.86

24025 · Other Liabilities

24026 · A/P - Gradient 57,004.78

24027 · A/P - REI 1,624.17

24028 · A/P - The Verge 29,957.21

Total 24025 · Other Liabilities 88,586.16

Total Other Current Liabilities 362,155.49

Total Current Liabilities 392,178.44

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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 392,178.44

i2E OK Technology Commercialization Center Statement of Activities

	i2E, Inc.	Gradient	REI Oklahoma	The Verge	Jul '24 - Jun 25	Annual Budget
Income						
OTCC Revenue	934,435.35	162,487.21	70,000.00	83,077.05	1,249,999.61	1,250,000.00
Total Income	934,435.35	162,487.21	70,000.00	83,077.05	1,249,999.61	1,250,000.00
Expense						
Wages	659,310.77	24,940.97	46,691.23	18,174.55	749,117.52	707,679.00
Benefits	141,174.31	2,631.43	19,143.41	2,481.95	165,431.10	130,830.00
Travel	13,275.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,275.40	14,515.00
Supplies	2,338.52	120.00	0.00	0.00	2,458.52	5,374.00
IT Infrastructure	35,206.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,206.53	26,123.00
Consultants	6,567.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,567.54	35,800.00
Accounting and Financial	8,659.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,659.64	7,865.00
Communications	4,523.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,523.03	4,610.00
Insurance	10,533.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,533.35	11,257.00
Rent	6,719.43	69,405.45	0.00	31,500.00	107,624.88	154,956.00
Miscellaneous	134.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	134.00	1,041.00
Events	15,764.11	44,193.17	3,844.92	23,947.82	87,750.02	100,000.00
Marketing and Outreach	18,643.93	21,196.19	320.44	6,972.73	47,133.29	44,000.00
Total Expense	934,435.35	162,487.21	70,000.00	83,077.05	1,249,999.61	1,250,000.00
Net Ordinary Income			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Income			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00