

# CATCH APPLICATION

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## Applicant Information

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call \_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant Ethnic Background

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian or Pacific Island
- Black
- White
- Hispanic
- Other

### Applicant Gender

- Male
- Female

### Highest level of education

- Less than GED
- GED
- High School Diploma
- Postsecondary degree or certificate

### Citizenship

- U.S Citizen
- NON U.S Citizen

### Business Information

Describe your business \_\_\_\_\_

How long in business \_\_\_\_\_ Numbers of employees \_\_\_\_\_

Have you made any monetary investments in your business? \_\_\_\_\_ If so how much? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, Why?

Do you have an (updated) completed business or marketing plan \_\_\_\_\_ do you actively use it? \_\_\_\_\_

1) **Why would you be a good candidate for the CATCH Entrepreneurial Training Program?**

2) **List three objectives you hope to achieve for your business from this program?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

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3) **How will the CATCH Entrepreneurial Training Program help your business?**

4) **List all of the entrepreneurship courses you have taken?**

A.

B.

C.

5) **Technology is used throughout the course, what social platforms and tools do you currently use?**

A.

B.

C.

6) **How long have you been planning your business idea? Please explain.**

7) **If accepted into the program, what are your 30, 60, and 90 day goals for your business upon graduation?**

**30 day**

1.

2.

3.

**60 day**

1.

2.

3.

**90 day**

1.

2.

3.

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Please upload a video with your application about your business (up to 2 minutes). **Applications without a video will be considered incomplete.**

You can use Dropbox or YouTube to create the video.

**SEND TO [CATCH@TAMPABAYBBIC.COM](mailto:CATCH@TAMPABAYBBIC.COM)**

**Please only chose one location**

## **Clearwater**

Tuesdays – 5:30–8:00pm starting May 7 - August 13 ( )

## **St. Petersburg**

Tuesdays – 5:30–8:00pm starting June 4 - Sept 17 ( )

Wednesdays – 5:30–8:00pm starting June 5 - Sept 18 ( )

## **Tampa**

Mondays – 5:30–8:00pm starting May 20 - Sept 9 ( )

(Excluding the following holiday's Memorial Day, Labor Day)

Thursdays – 5:30–8:00pm starting May 23 - Sept 5 (Excluding 4th of July) ( )

***Food is provided at 5:30-6:00 pm nightly prior to the commencement of each training session.***

**ALL APPLICANTS ACCEPTED INTO THE CATCH TRAINING WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY A \$100 APPLICATION FEE WHICH IS REFUNDABLE UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE CLASS**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Can I use separate paper to answer essay questions?**

*Yes, we encourage you to use up to one page to answer each question. Please include your contact information or business name on each page, if using a separate document.*

### **Are all business types eligible to participate in the CATCH Entrepreneurial Training Program?**

*No, Nonprofits, religious organizations, night clubs, bars or lounges, or any business deriving more than 10% of revenue from sale of adult beverages are all ineligible.*

### **What is the criteria to be selected as a participant?**

*There isn't a specific or perfect candidate. We are seeking participants who have developed their business concept, been in business for at least one year and are passionate about advancing their business to the next level using the principles outlined in CATCH. **C**oachable, **A**ction-oriented, **T**imely, **C**ollaborative, **H**elpful*

### **How many participants will be accepted into each class?**

*Class sizes will have 10-15 students.*

### **Will you have any other classes this year?**

*Classes will be conducted based on availability of funding. Please see website for specific dates for application deadlines.*

### **Who makes the decision regarding acceptance into the class?**

*A selections committee will review applications to determine the participants chosen for admission in the CATCH Entrepreneurial Training Program. Notice of acceptance status will be provided up to two weeks prior to the commencement of the class.*

### **If I'm not selected for this class, will my application be kept on file for future consideration?**

*No, if you are not selected, you will need to reapply for future training sessions.*

### **If I am not selected for the CATCH Training, will the consulting services still be available to me?**

*Yes, technical assistance is available and open to everyone in the community.*

### **How many classes can I miss before being dismissed from the program?**

*While we prefer you to be in attendance at all of the classes, we will consider class completion with no more than 2 absences. 20 minutes or more is considered late. TWO late occurrences will equal an absence.*

### **Will I have access to funding after the training is complete?**

*Participants who successfully complete the CATCH Training will be eligible for access to a \$5000 Line of Credit or Direct Loan via an expedited application process with relaxed document requirements.*

### **What happens after completion of the CATCH Entrepreneurial Training Program?**

*Tampa Bay BBIC will provide all participants up to two additional years of technical support for your business.*

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