



**Pillar 1: Deliver 21st Century Talent and Workforce**

- Successfully implementing Year One of the LaunchGVL expansion plan
  - Hired LaunchGVL Director
  - Recruited 154 students hired by 40 companies during the '24-25 school year
  - Launched Salesforce integration
  - Contracted external evaluator to assess and enhance program delivery

**Pillar 2: Increase Educational Attainment for Working Age Adults**

- Successfully continuing TalentRiseGVL's growth trajectory:
  - 227 participants to date
  - 55 enrolled
  - 52 participants pre-enrolled
  - 12 alumni and 7 alumni re-enrolled
  - Hired TalentRiseGVL Career Navigator
  - Securing additional funders to scale TalentRiseGVL with potential Q3 news

**Pillar 3: Inform Decisions with Data**

- Launched the Upstate Business Confidence Index Survey
- Launched a regional economic scorecard with EDO partners
- Selected to participate in the Center for Regional Economic Competitiveness/Gates Foundation Mobilizing Data for Talent Development initiative
- Increased engagement in the Community Insights online data platform

**Pillar 4: Drive Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Growth**

- Repositioned key initiatives under Economic Opportunity
  - Business Accelerator program open to all qualified businesses ready to scale
- Continued growth of Business Accelerator with 7 growth-stage businesses
  - Efforts underway to re-engage Alumni network
- NextGEN held a record-setting 10th Annual Next Venture Summit
- NextGEN celebrated 10 years of the Venture Mentor Service program

**Program Definitions** // // //



LaunchGVL is a partnership between the Greenville Chamber and Greenville County Schools to provide paid internships to high school students.



TalentRiseGVL connects adults learners to credentials, certifications and degrees necessary to grow in their career.



Dashboard that identifies Greenville's existing economic conditions and measures in real-time our progress towards our vision.



NextGEN's primary goal is to help high-growth, high-potential founders grow and support their businesses.

