BlueTechValley Innovation Cluster

Water, Energy and Technology Center

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WET CENTER

“Empowering entrepreneurs to build successful businesses focused on bringing innovative water, energy, and ag technologies to market.”

BlueTechValley Innovation Cluster’s homebase is located in the WET Center on the Fresno State’s campus

Established in 2007, focused on innovative, science-based water, energy, and ag technologies

Incubator facility – office and co-working spaces and Part of Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences & Technology

Field research and demonstration capabilities
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- Industry-focused, cohort-based accelerator program
- Incubation and business development support

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- “Hub and Spoke” model
- Regional approach

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**VENTURES AND IMPACT**

+300 ventures vetted
179 ventures accepted
53 ventures accelerated

$46 million follow on funding
$284 million in total funding
+600 jobs created
260 patents

68% Industrial, Agricultural and Water
14% Renewables and generation
8% Energy Technology Systems
5% Transportation
4% Buildings
1% Environmental
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