

## VIPC Awards Commonwealth Commercialization Fund Grant to Sync Layer, Inc.

CCF grants support startups, critical early technology testing and market validation efforts

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, UNITED STATES, July 19, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Virginia Innovation Partnership Corporation (VIPC) today announced that Sync Layer, Inc. has been awarded a Commonwealth Commercialization



Fund (<u>CCF</u>) grant for \$75,000. VIPC's CCF programs have distributed more than \$51 million to Virginia-based startups, entrepreneurs and university-based inventors since 2012.

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Based in Fairfax, Va., Sync Layer is a software company that is simplifying diverse and difficult comprehensive analysis data for the intelligence and law enforcement communities. This CCF grant will be used to extend Sync Layer's geospatial visualization and analysis software to include blue force tracking during law enforcement operations. Sync Layer has also received a proposal assistance award from VIPC in support of its Phase I SBIR submission to the US Navy.

"We are thrilled to receive a CCF grant from VIPC," said John Sinclair, CEO and co-founder of Sync Layer. "Our goal is to give the law enforcement community the tools they need

to accomplish their missions efficiently and effectively, and we thank VIPC for enabling us to continue doing so."

"We are pleased to award a CCF grant to Sync Layer," said Jeanette Townsend, VIPC's Director for Private Sector Grants. "VIPC's CCF grant program plays an important role in getting funding to Virginia-based pre-seed and seed-stage startups when they need it most. Our goal is to help

Virginia companies grow and lead the nation in innovation, opportunity and job creation. We were impressed by Sync Layer's early customer traction and believe that the new blue force tracking capabilities will make its platform even more appealing to the intelligence and law enforcement communities."



CCF accepts applications and awards funding on a rolling basis to Virginia's small businesses and university-based innovators. This competitive grant program seeks to fund high-potential Virginia-based for-profit technology companies at the early stage of commercialization. The grants support early technology and market validation efforts such as the development of prototypes or a minimum viable product (MVP), customer pilots, intellectual property protection, and more. For more information on funding opportunities and eligibility requirements, or to apply, visit the CCF pages at <a href="https://www.VirginialPC.org">www.VirginialPC.org</a>.

## About the Commonwealth Commercialization Fund (CCF)

VIPC's Commonwealth Commercialization Fund (CCF) was launched on July 1, 2020 to foster innovative and collaborative efforts in Virginia. Combining two legacy state programs, the Commonwealth Research Commercialization Fund (CRCF) and the Virginia Research Innovation Fund (VRIF), CCF seeks technologies with a high potential for economic development and job creation and that position the Commonwealth as a national leader in science- and technology-based research, development, and commercialization.

## About Virginia Innovation Partnership Corporation (VIPC)

VIPC: Connecting innovators with opportunities. As the nonprofit operations arm of the Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority (VIPA), VIPC is the commercialization and seed stage economic development driver in the Commonwealth that leads funding, infrastructure, and policy initiatives to support Virginia's innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, and market development strategies. VIPC collaborates with local, regional, state, and federal partners to support the expansion and diversification of Virginia's economy.

Programs include: Virginia Venture Partners (VVP) | VVP Fund of Funds (SSBCI) | Virginia Founders Fund (VFF) | Commonwealth Commercialization Fund (CCF) | Petersburg Founders Fund (PFF) | Smart Communities | The Virginia Smart Community Testbed | The Virginia Unmanned Systems Center | Virginia Advanced Air Mobility Alliance (VAAMA) | The Public Safety Innovation Center | Entrepreneurial Ecosystems | Regional Innovation Fund (RIF) | Federal Funding Assistance Program (FFAP) for SBIR & STTR | University Partnerships | Startup Company Mentoring & Engagement. For more information, please visit <a href="www.VirginialPC.org">www.VirginialPC.org</a>. Follow VIPC on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

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