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UBIZ PITCH COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED September 22, 2022

Cleveland, OH – Congratulations to the UBIZ Venture Capital Young Innovators and Creators program winners! The four participated in UBIZ Venture Capital’s pitch competition sponsored by Huntington Bank after spending several weeks in workshops focused on invention and entrepreneurship. The first place winner received \$3000, 2nd place \$1000, and the third place winners received \$500 for a total of \$5000 in cash prizes. The event was hosted by Michael Obi, Urban League of Greater Cleveland Executive Vice President/UBIZ President and Alisa Bray, UBIZ Director of Operations of Portfolio Management & Programs. Thank you to our judges Marsha A. Mockabee, ULGC President and CEO, Carrie Carpenter, SVP Huntington Bank, Bob Sopko, Director, LaunchNET Case Western Reserve University, Lonnie Coleman, President & CEO, Coleman Spohn Corporation, Brian Hall, CEO, Specialized Construction Inc. Additionally, thank you to the mentors throughout the program, Marzell Brown, Rockwell Automation, and Larry Fulton, CEO Hanlon Composites.



1st Place- Jeanita Blue
BIM Blue International Marketing



2nd Place- Sajeé McAlpine
XL Marketing & Technologies



3rd Place- Clayshon Wright
Augtonomy



3rd Place Kernesha Greene
Kids Who Code-Mobile STEM Bus