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## Venture Idol 2026

**Ben Franklin TechVentures**

**116 Research Drive**

**Bethlehem, PA 18015**

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