

Presents

## PEER CIRCLES

Open to all SVC members Applications are ongoing.

BETTER TOGETHER

## What are Peer Circles?

As change makers, consultants, and social venture pioneers, it is sometimes hard to stay the course with the important work we do, when so often we feel alone and under-resourced. Peer Circles are designed to help you dream bigger and stay the course.



Discover a rare haven with our peer circles, where you can engage in open discussions on topics that are off-limits elsewhere. This unique space fosters collaboration and support, setting aside competition to focus on genuine connection and understanding.

- Pods meet 10 times per year, typically once a month, skipping the summer months;
- Meetings are 2 hrs total and the dates are selected based on the results of an online poll;
- Pods will receive training on best practices for meeting logistics, roles, agendas, rotations and Agreements;
- Pods are carefully selected based on the following criteria: stage of business, diversity, industry, subject matter expertise, and harmonious group dynamics;
- Each candidate commits to participating in all 10 sessions;
- Pods can elect to continue on year after year as SVC members.

## Why Apply?

Businesses with a purpose beyond profit are the catalysts of our time. They require fierce perseverance, humility, drive, and, most of all, leadership. Given the various hoops and hurdles one must overcome in today's global arena, a peer group of trusted believers can help you to identify blind spots, offer tips and advice, and push and hold you accountable to your highest sense of self.

Peer Circles have allowed me to have the uncensored feedback and sounding boards that I need as an entrepreneur. It has expedited my learning curve and pushed me to step up into my full potential."

> "Having a group that is dedicated to my success is enough to propel me to get there."

Here are a few of the things you will get by joining a Peer Circle:

- Camaraderie with values-aligned leaders;
- Access to expert peer advice on how to grow your business and not compromise your values;
- Shared expertise and referral opportunities;
- Recognition and showcasing opportunities through the sharing structure;
- Blind spot identification through the feedback structure;
- Safe environment to discuss and get feedback on tricky and confidential issues;
- An opportunity to build trust and friendships with other social impact leaders;
- Alignment between language and truth;
- Other perspectives on problem solving;
- · Accountability to your set goals.

## FAQ's?

- Q: Will the session be in person on online?
- A: All Peer Circles will be conducted online.
- Q: How does this work, I apply and then what?
- A: We do our best to match you with a pod of social impact leaders who will help you thrive and you them.
  Sometimes there's not a perfect match for you and so we keep you in mind for when there is.
- Q: How do we know when we are meeting?
- A: All pods will meet once a month for 2 hours. Once the applications for the first cohort are closed, we will be sending out a Doodle Poll to find the most desirable time for a training seminar to get you acquainted with your pod and kick it off for success. During that seminar, you will have the opportunity to set up your monthly meeting time with your group.
- Q: How are you assessing applications?
- A: We strive to be as inclusive as possible. The following are our considerations when forming groups: stage of business, diversity, industry, subject matter expertise, and group dynamics.
- Q: Where do I sign up?
- A: Application form is HERE