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**Northeast Tarrant County Launches 1 Million Cups  
to Educate and Connect Local Entrepreneurs**

*Free, weekly program developed by the Kauffman Foundation  
helps strengthen startup communities nationwide*

Northeast Tarrant County is now the newest home of a national program to engage, educate and connect local entrepreneurs. Founded by the Kauffman Foundation, [1 Million Cups](#) is based on the notion that entrepreneurs network and discover solutions over a million cups of coffee. These free and weekly nationwide gatherings help build startup communities on a grassroots level.

Beginning Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in Northeast Tarrant County; entrepreneurs, innovators, funders and other interested community members are invited to attend 1 Million Cups each Wednesday from 9-10am.

Each week, two early-stage business startups present their companies to an audience of community based mentors, advisers and fellow entrepreneurs. Each presentation lasts for six minutes, followed by a 20-minute Q&A session between the presenter and the audience.

The interaction and free flow of thoughts and ideas on how to truly help the presenter is the key to the success of 1 Million Cups and the reason for the phenomenal growth of the program nationally. Local 1 Million Cups communities in Fort Worth, Irving and even Frisco are already benefitting from this success-oriented approach!

For further information on attending (virtually until COVID cases decline) or presenting your early-stage business, please access the 1 Million Cups NE Tarrant County microsite at [https://bit.ly/1MC\\_NET](https://bit.ly/1MC_NET) or find us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram and Twitter.

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