# venture 1:9

Sample: Major Gift Investments for Venture 1:9 Growth & Expansion

### 1. A Project Investment: The new Venture 1:9 database system (\$2,500 - \$5,000 range).

We are very excited about having our own database system that will help us serve ministries and donors in the community at the next level. The initial work has already been a game-changer, but there is more build-out to be done. This system will be in place for years to come so the ripple effect of a gift to this project will be on-going.

## 2. A Personal Investment: Staff support (\$3,000 - \$6,000).

Staff member, Heather Hicks, has been a gift to Venture 1:9 and to community ministry leaders. She is helping Venture 1:9 grow to the next level as she trains, coaches, and excels in administration. Heather has been faithfully raising personal ministry support for 20 years and is now applying that to Venture 1:9 work. In addition, Venture 1:9 pays Heather, and this gift will be applied to Heather's Venture 1:9 salary. Click <u>here</u> to read Heather's full bio.

#### 3. A Granting Investment: Micro-Grants Program (\$5,000 - \$12,500).

God is doing something special through Venture 1:9's Micro-Grants Program. In 2023, \$22,500 turned into \$176,354 in total impact dollars! Each year, our goal is to provide 10, \$2,500 Micro-Grants, with a minimum return of 4:1 on each grant given. This gift will be used to provide micro-grants, and will help various ministries grow to the next level through training, coaching, AND granting.

#### 4. A General Investment: Ongoing Training and Coaching (\$10,000 - \$20,000).

Studies show that most nonprofit organizations don't last more than 3-5 years because of 3 factors:

- $\circ~$  Lack of strategic direction
- Lack of sound leadership
- o Lack of sustainable funding

At Venture 1:9, we are training Christ-centered leaders in all three of these areas and, by God's grace, we are seeing results! As a giver, have you ever wanted to give <u>one</u> gift that would meet the needs of <u>many</u> ministry leaders and their organizations? This is that gift. These funds will grow leaders and organizations as they continue to serve people, meet needs, and advance the gospel.

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# 5. A Sustainable Investment: Future Programming, Growth & Expansion (\$75,000 - \$150,000+ spread out over 3-4 years.)

A commitment like this will help pave the way for Venture 1:9 impact <u>for the next 5-7</u> <u>years.</u> How is that possible? Venture 1:9's overhead is low and that helps make our impact extremely high, as the majority of each dollar given goes to programming for Christian nonprofit leaders. At Venture 1:9, we are fully committed to squeezing every ounce of impact out of every dollar entrusted to us. A commitment like this, just for starters, would allow us to:

- Grow our staff team, adding additional trainers, coaches, and administrative support.
- Expand our training and technology to reach leaders more effectively, both locally and around the country.
- Operate with an ongoing matching grant fund to bless and grow ministries (with all donated granting dollars being leveraged to a minimum of 3:1).
- All resulting in expanding the reach of Venture 1:9, pushing us to grow from reaching 100 Christian nonprofits to reaching 250+ Christian nonprofits.