Black founders receive less than 1% of venture capital funding, are less likely to be approved for debt financing, and are less likely to have family and friends who can invest in the business. Additionally, Black founders represent the fastest growing entrepreneurial segment despite being the most under-resourced and under-networked segment in the US.

Collab Capital was built to invest financial, human, and network capital to effectively support, grow, and sustain Black-owned innovative businesses. They do this by providing capital while also pairing each company with social and corporate influencers who help grow the business’s revenue, ultimately allowing each business to create more jobs, solve big problems, and create wealth.

Collab Capital’s first fund has $51M in assets, which will be invested in 50 Black founders over five years. To date, they have invested in 22 startups that focus on these three core areas: the future of work, learning, or care. Historically, Black people have not been adequately considered in the systems that govern these areas and Collab Capital wants to ensure Black-owned companies have an equitable stake in the future of these industries to deliver more inclusive solutions.

Looking ahead, they are making plans for Fund 2 which they expect will be $100M+ to further transform genius into generational wealth.

**Mission**
To decrease the racial wealth gap by helping Black founded businesses overcome the funding and network challenges that often stifle their growth.

**Title**
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**In Her Words**
*When Black entrepreneurs have the resources they need, they will thrive and then give back to the communities they came from.*