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Congratulations to the 2021 NH Social Venture Innovation Challenge Finalists

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The 9th annual NH Social Venture Innovation Challenge ([SVIC](#)) is well underway, and the excitement is building! Entries are in, Preliminary Round judging is complete, and we are pleased to **announce the nine finalist teams who will advance to the Final Round and present live via webinar on Thursday, December 2, 2021.** See the full schedule of events below and register to join us!

We could not host this transformational learning experience for NH's students with out the support of our many partners - thank you!

Major supporters of the 2021 SVIC include Alnoba, Timberland and Kennebunk Savings; additional supporters include CCA Global Partners, Prime Buchholz, NH Businesses for Social Responsibility, and Maurice Prize for Innovation.

The SVIC is a collaborative, interdisciplinary event, organized at UNH's [Changemaker Collaborative](#), a partnership of UNH's Sustainability Institute, the Peter T. Paul College of Business & Economics and the Carsey School of Public Policy. Additional collaborators include a record number of UNH faculty who embedded the SVIC into their fall courses, Ian Grant, Executive Director of UNH's [ECenter](#), who served as advisor to many teams who advanced to the Final Round, and Drew Bonfiglio, Co-Founder of [Emzingo](#), who led an intensive credit-bearing human-centered design course for students entering the SVIC.

Vote for your favorite teams for the Audience Choice Awards!

1. Watch the finalist teams' videos below.
2. Vote for your top three in a [quick online form](#). (*closes on December 2 at 11 a.m.*)
3. Attend the virtual events to join in the excitement and see who wins!

**AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARDS:
VOTE FOR THE TOP 3!**

SVIC Schedule of Virtual Events December 2, 2021

Final Round Presentations, 9 - 11:15 a.m.

Nine finalist teams will present to a panel of [distinguished judges](#).

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SVIC Keynote & Awards, 12:30 - 2 p.m.

Our 2021 Social Innovator of the Year will present a keynote; SVIC winners will be announced immediately following.

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Congratulations to the 2021 SVIC Finalist Teams!

3Vize

3Vize is providing low-cost 3D printed products for students with disabilities to reduce accessibility barriers when transitioning to higher education.

Daisy Burns, UNH 2024 | Economics: Sustainability and Public Policy

Tim Sicard, UNH 2024 | Finance and Business Analytics

Will Sargent, UNH 2024 | Mechanical Engineering

Advisor: Ian Grant, Executive Director, ECenter

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Apropos Energy

Apropos Energy is a software company using video games to equip the next generation with the knowledge needed to tackle the world's energy challenges.

Samuel Mercer, UNH 2023 | Chemical Engineering

Eli Duggan, UNH 2023 | Bioengineering

Matt Libby, UNH 2023 | Chemical Engineering

Henry Lavoie, UNH 2022 | Analytical Economics, German

Ben Mackillop, UNH 2023 | Political Science, Economics

Advisor: Ian Grant, Executive Director, ECenter

Develop for Good

Develop for Good is an intercollegiate 501(c)3 non-profit organization that pairs, trains, and supports student volunteers as they develop technical product solutions for non-profits.

Sunint Bindra, Dartmouth College 2023 | Computer Science,
Economics

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FoodConnect

FoodConnect is an app that will allow grocery stores to sell their excess food that would otherwise go to waste to low-income families in need.

Madeline Kayser, UNH 2023 | Business Administration,
Management Option

Avery Harrison, UNH 2023 | Business Administration,
Management Option

Peyton Kemp, UNH 2024 | Business Administration, Finance
Option

Advisor: Drew Bonfiglio, Co-founder, Emzingo

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Gen Impact Partners

Gen Impact Partners is a consulting firm that supports businesses pursuing B-Corp Certification.

Kathryn Rascoe, UNH 2022 | Marketing, Sustainability

Jill Durkin, UNH 2022 | Finance, Economics

Gabrielle Sott, UNH 2022 | International Business and Economics,

Sustainability

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Grey-t Water

Grey-t Water is a greywater filtration system that recycles water from your shower and sink drains and redistributes it to your toilets.

Emily Abrusci, UNH 2025 | Environmental Conservation and Sustainability

Nathan Brennan, UNH 2025 | Business Administration

Michael Hartmann, UNH 2025 | Business Administration

Advisor: Ian Grant, Executive Director, ECenter

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Hidden Coast Aquaculture

Hidden Coast Aquaculture is a kelp-farming venture that reduces pollution in the Great Bay Estuary while stimulating economic growth in the region.

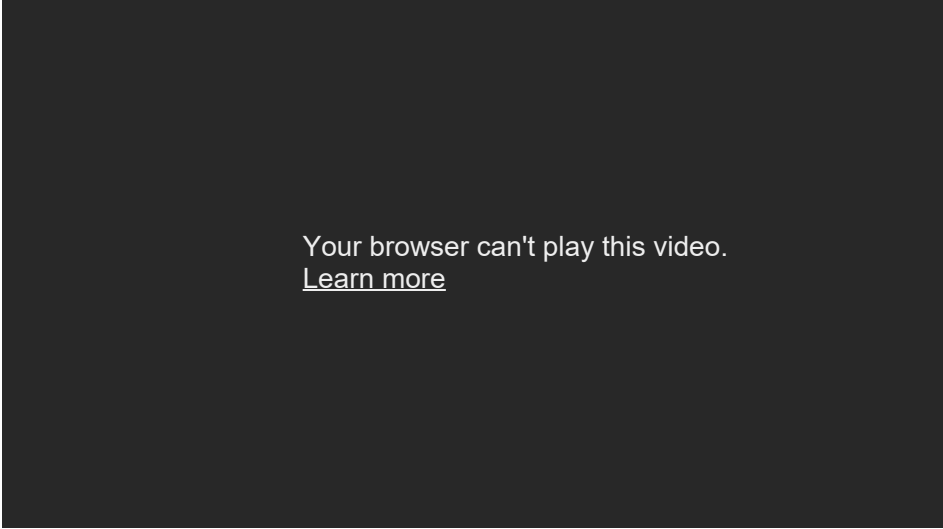
August Murray, UNH 2022 | Civil Engineering

Dana Sher, UNH 2022 | Civil Engineering

Meaghan Wiggin, UNH 2023 | Civil Engineering

Devan Sack, UNH 2023 | Civil Engineering

Advisor: Kyle Kwiatkowski, Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering



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TakeBack

TakeBack is a business that helps food vendors and take-out customers say “no” to single use plastics through subscription-based reusable take-out containers.

Amanda Sun, Dartmouth College 2023 | Computer Science,
Environmental Studies

Allan Rubio, Dartmouth College 2023 | Biology, Computer
Science

Polly Chesnokova, Dartmouth College 2024 | Film and Media
Studies

Advisor: Benoit Cushman-Roisin, Professor of Engineering,
Thayer School of Engineering

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Tidan

Tidan is a solar-powered, autonomous microplastic ocean vacuum that helps restore the environment and improve the health of marine and human life across the globe.

Derek Bobbitt, UNH 2024 | Finance, Information Systems and
Business Analytics

Yevgenia Men, UNH 2024 | Bioengineering, Sustainability

Kaiden Bedell, UNH 2024 | Mechanical Engineering

Advisor: Ian Grant, Executive Director, ECenter

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