Who helps crypto startups grow faster?

The Startup **Blacksmith**

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Directories and marketplaces

TREATS

Finding Providers

USE WHEN

You know what help you want

Web3Connect

Web3 partner directory

Ranked by reviews

Circle Alliance directory

Circle partner directory

Filter by use case

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Growth and marketing agencies

TREATS

Awareness, User Acquisition

USE WHEN

Your users already stay

Coinbound
KOLs, PR, paid ads, community

Surgence Labs
Launches, content, community, PR

Sphere3Verse
GTM, KOLs, community

LuvKaizen
KOLs, content, PR

GM Growth Agency
Community, paid ads

GrowShift
Consulting, legal

Growgami
Content, GTM, SEO

ICODA
Launches, PR, SEO, KOLs

MarketAcross
Pay-for-coverage PR, SEO, events

Serotonin
GTM, recruiting, legal

Wachsman
PR, crisis comms, investor relations

KodeGrid
Blockchain development, marketing

Techtonic Marketing
SEO, content, paid ads, fractional CMO

EAK Digital
PR, KOLs, community, events

NinjaPromo
KOLs, PR, community,
paid ads, from $4k a month

GuerrillaBuzz
PR, SEO, community, content

The DeFi Edge Ventures
DeFi research, content, distribution

The Group Three
PR, KOLs, listings, launches

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Tokenomics and protocol design

TREATS

Token Design, Incentives

USE WHEN

Your tokenomics
is the constraint

Gauntlet

Yield vaults, risk, mechanism design
8+ years in DeFi risk

BlockScience

Complex systems R&D
Publishes research

Economics Design

Consultancy
Tokenomics design

BlockApex

Smart contract audits
Also tokenomics

Forgd

Free launch tools, advisory
Pre-TGE and listed projects

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Capital, finance and structuring advice

TREATS

Funding, Capital Structure

USE WHEN

Your balance sheet or structure caps growth

Galaxy
Investment banking
M&A, capital raising

Steakhouse Financial
Stablecoin yield
Curates Coinbase DeFi vaults

Sentora
DeFi strategies
For institutions

BlockOffice
Fractional CFO, tax
Incorporation, tokenomics

DeFi Advisors
Capital raising
No details published

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Accelerators and ecosystems

TREATS

Early Funding, Mentoring

USE WHEN

You have not found product-market fit

Alliance

Free programme
$400k SAFE, next cohort Jan 2027

Outlier Ventures

Deep tech investor
Accelerator ended

Chainlink BUILD

Services for token supply
Moving to commercial deals

DeFi.org

DeFi accelerator
No terms or dates published

Arbitrum

Grants, gas and audit subsidies
Security help for teams with product-market fit

Optimism

Grants
Latest round closed May 2026

Base

8-week virtual programme
$100k, cohorts twice a year

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VC teams

TREATS

Strategy, GTM

USE WHEN

You are already in their portfolio

a16z crypto
Cheque unpublished
In-house GTM, legal, recruiting

Paradigm
First cheque to public markets
No support described

Dragonfly
Seed to Series B+, $3M to $30M+
Founder support, scope unstated

Framework Ventures
Early stage, $5M to $40M
No support described

Pantera Capital
Mainly early stage
No support described

Polychain Capital
Stage unpublished
No support described

Electric Capital
Pre-seed to Series A, $1M to $15M+
Design, testing, marketing help

Robot Ventures
Stage unpublished
No support described

Wintermute Ventures
Pre-seed to Series A, $0.5M to $5M+
Portfolio support, co-build

ACC Ventures
Earliest stage
Acc Labs services,
no portfolio limit stated

SuperDigital Ventures
Pre-seed and seed
Advisory without investing

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Strategy

TREATS

Strategy, Growth, GTM

USE WHEN

You are unsure what's the fix

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