

Community Builders Program

Welcome! We're glad you're here. The Community Builders Program is a place for people who care about helping others, sharing what they know, and building a welcoming community together.

This guide gives you a quick overview of what the program is, why it exists, and what you'll gain by joining—plus simple next steps to get started.

Quick note — You don't need to be an "expert" to be a builder. If you show up with curiosity, kindness, and consistency, you belong here.

What is the Community Builders Program?

The Community Builders Program brings together members who actively contribute to the community—by welcoming newcomers, answering questions, sharing resources, hosting conversations, and helping the community stay constructive and supportive.

- You build **with** the community (not just in it).
- You get access to **tools, guidance, and connections** that make it easier to contribute consistently.
- You help shape a culture where people feel safe to ask, learn, and grow.

Why join?

Builders join for many reasons—belonging, growth, impact, and relationships. Here are a few benefits you can expect:

What you'll gain	What it looks like
Community	Meet other builders, collaborate, and feel connected to people who care.
Confidence	Learn where to start, what "good" looks like, and how to contribute in your own voice.
Growth	Practice communication, leadership, facilitation, and problem-solving through real community work.
Impact	Help someone get unstuck, feel welcomed, or find the next step they needed.

Why this program exists

Healthy communities don’t happen by accident. The program exists to make it easier for members to contribute in meaningful, sustainable ways—so the community stays welcoming, helpful, and inclusive as it grows.

- **To welcome people well** — so newcomers can find their footing quickly.
- **To share knowledge** — so questions get answered and learning is faster for everyone.
- **To build connection** — so members feel seen, supported, and encouraged to participate.
- **To set a positive tone** — so discussions stay respectful and productive.

What “success” looks like — More people participating, more questions answered with care, and more members feeling like they belong.

How to get started

Starting is simple. You don’t have to do everything at once—small, consistent contributions add up quickly.

1. **Submit your application and program fee’s** — single memberships includes one registered email address for unlimited access. Business memberships include up to 5 registered email addresses for unlimited access.
2. **Introduce yourself** — share a short hello so others can welcome you and point you toward relevant spaces.
3. **Pick 1–2 ways to contribute** — choose what feels natural (answering questions, welcoming, sharing resources, hosting, etc.).
4. **Make your first contribution** — start small and build momentum.

Builder setup checklist

- [ ] Complete your profile (name, role/interests, and a friendly bio line).
- [ ] Read the community guidelines and program expectations.
- [ ] Join the key channels/spaces for builders and introductions.

What to expect in your first weeks

Your first weeks are about learning the rhythm of the community, meeting people, and finding a sustainable way to contribute.

Timeframe	Focus	Examples of actions
Week 1	Get oriented	Introduce yourself, read guidelines, observe conversations, ask questions.
Weeks 2–3	Build consistency	Regularly review and utilize the hub. Submit any content customization requests, or reach out directly for support and/or help.
Weeks 4+	Grow your impact	Co-host a discussion, lead a small initiative, mentor a new builder, propose improvements.

Tip — Aim for a pace you can maintain. A few thoughtful contributions each week is more valuable than a burst followed by burnout.

Community values & expectations

We want every member to feel respected, safe, and supported. As a builder, you help set the tone.

- **Be welcoming** — greet newcomers, assume good intent, and help people find the right place to ask or share.
- **Be constructive** — focus on solutions, provide context, and offer feedback kindly and clearly.
- **Be inclusive** — make space for different backgrounds and experience levels; avoid jargon when possible and explain acronyms when used.
- **Be reliable** — follow through on commitments, and communicate early if you need to step back.
- **Protect trust** — respect privacy, keep sensitive information confidential, and follow community guidelines.

Next steps

Ready to begin? Do these three things today:

1. Submit your application or email staff@rdwcreations.com for additional details
2. Choose one starter action from the checklist and do it this week.
3. Reach out in the builder space if you'd like a buddy, feedback, or ideas—someone will help you find your footing.

You're invited — Bring your perspective, your care, and your curiosity. We're excited to build with you.