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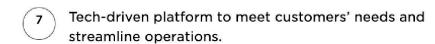






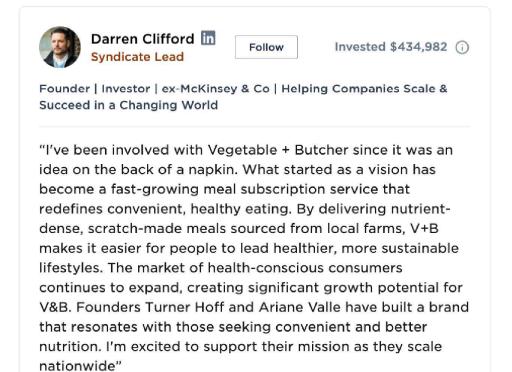
# **Highlights**

- \$40M+ in sales since inception in 2016, 2.5M+ meals served.
- \$6M+ raised from top investors backing our vision.
- 65%+ annualized subscription revenue growth since new facility launch in Oct. 2024.
- 40%+ gross profit margin with a +10:1 customer lifetime value to acquisition cost.
- \$300B+ healthy meal delivery market growing 13% annually.
- Broad customer base and subscribers with 100,000+ email list.



8 100% carbon offset, 50,000 meals donated, and 50,000 lbs. of food waste composted.

### **Featured Investors**





David B. Daniel

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Invested \$475,000 (i)

Private Investor / Retired Carlyle Group Global Partner

"My professional career was focused on strategic investments and capitalizing on emerging investment trends. As a private investor I have sought opportunities that resonated not only with my professional experience but also with my personal values. This quest led me to Vegetable + Butcher, a company committed to providing healthy, prepared meals with an emphasis on freshness and sustainability. One of the primary factors that attracted me to invest in Vegetable + Butcher was their meticulously crafted business plan. The business plan was not only detailed but also adaptive, displaying a deep understanding of market demands. The emphasis on freshness and sustainability is not just a marketing ploy but a core principle that drives the company's operations. Another

compelling reason for my investment is the enthusiasm and commitment demonstrated by the founders, Turner and Ariane. It is evident that their passion for the business is matched by their strategic vision. They are not only passionate to succeed but also have a genuine commitment to their mission of offering nutritious, sustainable, and delicious meals. In the fast-paced and ever-changing world of the food industry, challenges are inevitable. What sets Turner and Ariane apart is their ability to embrace these challenges with unwavering creativity and enthusiasm. They view obstacles not as setbacks but as opportunities for growth and innovation. This mindset has been instrumental in navigating the complexities of the market and adapting to the evolving needs of their loyal and growing clientele. Looking ahead, I am confident that Vegetable + Butcher is poised for significant growth. Their innovative approach, combined with their commitment to quality and sustainability, positions them well to capitalize on the increasing demand for healthy, convenient meal options. It is immensely gratifying to support a venture that aligns with my values and has the potential to make a positive impact on people's lives."



TEDCO IT

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Invested \$500,000 (i)



TEDCO, the Maryland Technology Development Corporation, enhances economic empowerment growth through the fostering of an inclusive entrepreneurial innovation ecosystem.

#### Katherine Hill Ritchie, Senior Director of TEDCO's Venture Funds

"Vegetable + Butcher works to implement innovative technology to combat a prevalent problem in the MaaS industry. This investment is just one example of how TEDCO supports technology innovations across all trades to grow Maryland's economy."

View Investment Memo



Steven Freidkin in

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Founder & CEO of Ntiva | Growth-Minded Leader | Father of Five

"As a CEO and father of five, time is one of my most valuable resources. Vegetable + Butcher has been a game-changernot just in delivering healthy, delicious meals, but in giving me back time to focus on what matters most: my kids, my work, and my well-being. I invested because I believe in backing founders whose passion and work ethic shine through in everything they do—and Turner, Ariane, and the V+B team exemplify that. Their commitment to quality and purpose is unmatched. I believe this product delivers on a need many of us have, and I'm excited and grateful for the opportunity to be part of their journey."



Marc Katz in

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E-commerce entrepreneur Marc Katz, founding CEO of Custom Ink, led the company for 25 years with a focus on purpose, people, and growth. Now an early-stage investor and advisor, he supports aspiring business and philanthropic leaders.

"I'm a V+B investor and advisor because of the super compelling value proposition ("healthy eating on autopilot"), powerful localized operating model, excellent customer-level economics, and talented founders. The market is huge, so this has the potential to be a large and profitable business that makes a real difference to millions of people."

### **Our Team**



David Turner Hoff, Jr. Founder + CEO

Turner's background is in real estate private equity and investment at The Carlyle Group and J.P. Morgan before cofounding V+B. With expertise in finance and strategy, he drives the company's mission. MBA from Rice University and BBA from U of San Diego.



Ariane Valle Founder + CXO

Ariane started in the food industry at Sweetgreen and Knightsbridge Restaurant Group before co-founding V+B to fill the need she saw for nutritious meals. Ariane excels in customer-focused innovation and began her studies at Penn State University.



Josiah Hart Chief Technology Officer

With 22+ years in tech and experience as a COO, Josiah



reads v+B's tech strategy, driving scalable solutions that enhance growth and customer experience. He holds an MBA from Dallas Baptist University and a strong track record in software innovation.



#### Priss Agpawa Director of CX Experience

Priss applies her 20+ years of experience at companies like Dell to optimize operations and customer success at V+B. She's pivotal in building a strong CX team and enhancing service processes to improve customer engagement and satisfaction.



#### Colin Moncton VP of Finance

Colin brings 15+ years in financial management, including leading startups and founding his own business. A graduate of Michigan State University's Economics program, he drives V+B's financial strategy and operational efficiency.



#### Ben Tenner Director of Culinary Operations

Ben, a University of Maryland alum, brings 15+ years of culinary expertise from top-tier kitchens. At V+B, he focuses on innovative menus, quality, and streamlined operations to deliver healthy, flavorful meals that scale with growth.

### Invest in the future of better food

We're Vegetable + Butcher, a tech-powered platform revolutionizing the world of prepared meals. By aligning the entire commerce value chain with the wisdom of food as medicine, we're delivering delicious, plant-forward meals that put nutrition on autopilot while respecting our planet. We offer a healthier, greener future tapping into the rapidly growing market for sustainable and healthful food solutions. Together, we can build a nutritious tomorrow.



## Live more, worry less

We believe *food is the most powerful medicine*—and a cornerstone of true well-being. But let's face it: maintaining a healthy diet isn't as simple as taking a pill. Life is busy, and even with the best intentions, preparing fresh, nourishing meals every day can feel impossible. That's where we step in.

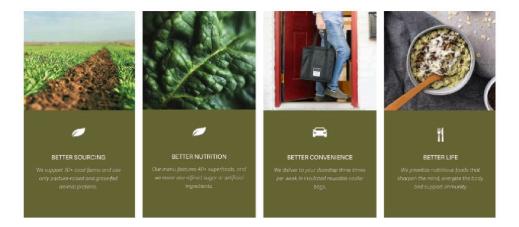
Our mission is clear: to save time and help everyone live healthier lives, one meal at a time. With just a few clicks, we can set health goals, share preferences, and handle the rest. We curate a menu of seasonal, scratch-made, and nutrient-packed meals delivered straight to the doorstep, on the specific requested schedule.



## Our foundation

Vegetable + Butcher was born in 2016 from personal experience. We know what it's like to struggle with restrictive diets, confusing ingredient labels, and uninspiring meals. We searched for a solution that combined convenience, transparency, and uncompromising quality—but nothing fit the bill. So, we decided to create it ourselves. Our journey started as a way to solve our

own needs, and it has grown into a shared mission to help others prioritize health without sacrificing taste or time.



## Our promise

We're more than a meal delivery service—we're a partner in the wellness journey. Our promise is simple but unwavering:

- Thoughtful: Every meal is designed with health in mind, using sustainably sourced, organic ingredients from our farm partners and distributors.
- Transparent: Everyone always knows what's on their plate
   —no secrets, no shortcuts. Our meals all have the ingredients
   and nutrition information printed right on them.
- Fresh: From farm to fork, our fresh meals are made to nourish and satisfy a balanced diet, always every time.

Our costumers are not just making a commitment to better eating—they're reclaiming their time and prioritizing their health, stress-free.



### Our path to success

We see growth as being driven by a commitment to excellence over speed. Over the past 9 years, we've been focused on perfecting the experience for our current customers before expanding into new areas. This dedication to doing things right ensures that every step we take is deliberate, sustainable, and impactful as we go forward into new markets.

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DIETITIAN-APPROVED MENU	+	+	+	+	_	-
ROTATING WEEKLY MENU	+	+	1_	+	-	-
DELIVERED FRESH, NOT FROZEN	+	+	+	+	-	+
CLOSED-LOOP, ZERO-WASTE SUPPLY CHAIN	+.	-	-	-	-	-
DELIVERIES/SHIPMENTS PER WEEK	3	2	2	2	1	1
AVERAGE CUSTOMER RATING (YELP, GOOGLE, FACEBOOK)	4.6	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.0	3.7

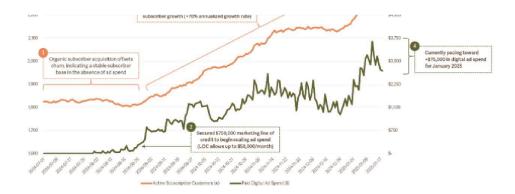
### **Recent Background**

Once V+B reached full capacity two years ago, we strategically reduced marketing and advertising efforts by 70% while maintaining steady operations and planning for the launch of our new, larger facility. The new facility has helped met the demands of our growing waitlist and positioned us for scalable growth.

#### Today

Since restarting marketing and promotion in August 2024, following the facility's opening, we have added 550 new subscribers by the end of January 2025, driving over a \$200,000 increase in monthly subscription revenue—a 41% growth in just six months bringing us to over \$700,000 in monthly recurring revenue from subscriptions.





#### The Plan

We are now fully utilizing our new facility, its operational efficiencies and a 110,000+ person email list under our 4-point plan:

- 1. Preparing for Scale While Focused on Strategies for Sustained Growth: With our significant growth in recent months, we are implementing key strategies to ensure this momentum continues:
- 2. State-of-the-Art Manufacturing Facility: Our newly opened facility has increased production capacity by up to 5x, centralized operations, and improved efficiency—reducing costs by 2-3%. This investment lays the foundation for scalable, profitable growth, enabling us to meet surging demand and expand further. We have the ability to grow 10x within this facility down the line as needed.
- 3. **Diversified Growth Strategy:** By expanding beyond a single channel, we're optimizing advertising efficiency, lowering customer acquisition costs, and creating a more balanced and scalable revenue model. This approach strengthens our ability to grow sustainably while reaching more customers than ever before.
- 4. Innovative Products and Technology: Our data-driven platform integrates cutting-edge insights and automation to deliver weekly menus our customers love while refining operational efficiency. By leveraging these innovations, we're building stronger connections with our customers, keeping them excited, engaged, and coming back for more as we grow.



## Accelerating factors driving demand

Health and convenience are driving rapid growth in the meal delivery market, which is projected to grow by 14% annually through 2031, reaching over \$10B. Unlike mass-produced competitors, V+B delivers fresh, nutritious meals sourced from local farms and producers.

The global home delivery market has grown significantly since 2020, projected to reach \$1.92 trillion by 2029, with 192.5M users. Additionally, the fresh food industry is expected to hit \$153B by 2032, underscoring the strong demand for sustainable, high-quality options.

- Rising Consumer Demand for Transparency: Over 70% of consumers prefer brands that are transparent about sourcing and production practices, a core pillar of V+B's mission.
- Increased Focus on Sustainability: As environmental awareness grows, consumers are prioritizing brands committed to reducing food waste and carbon footprints.
- Busy Lifestyles Fueling Convenience: With 57% of households reporting time constraints, meal delivery services offer a practical solution without compromising on health.
- Repeat Purchase Behavior: Subscription models in meal delivery have shown to foster loyalty, with retention rates as high as 85% when paired with personalized offerings.
- Strong Market Adoption in Key Demographics: Millennials and Gen Z, who account for 62% of delivery users, show consistent preference for fresh, high-quality meals that align with their values. Additionally, many older adults rely on meal delivery for convenient access to nutritious food when cooking or transportation becomes challenging.



# Who's onboard

Our deep bench of investors and advisors have decades of experience across the key verticals essential for scalable growth.

















