



2017

Annual Report

connecting donors, students and
educational institutions to fund
the future of refugee youth
around the world



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Founder's Message

Education is a human right that 99% of refugees are being denied because they lack the funds.

Last year, we set out to solve this challenge! We built the foundation for an education social network that supports those in need of funding and mentoring to support their higher education.

We were recognized by the MIT SOLVE community, DUKE University business accelerator, and the SOUK.LB incubator.

I'm grateful for the support of our corporate donors NOVUS Aviation Capital and Lahlouh Inc., for believing in our cause and for all the volunteers who made edSeed possible.

We are planning to fund over 200 students in 2018. With your support we will meet our objective.

-Rama Chakaki



2017 Key Successes

100

Students
participated
in training

Raised

\$109k

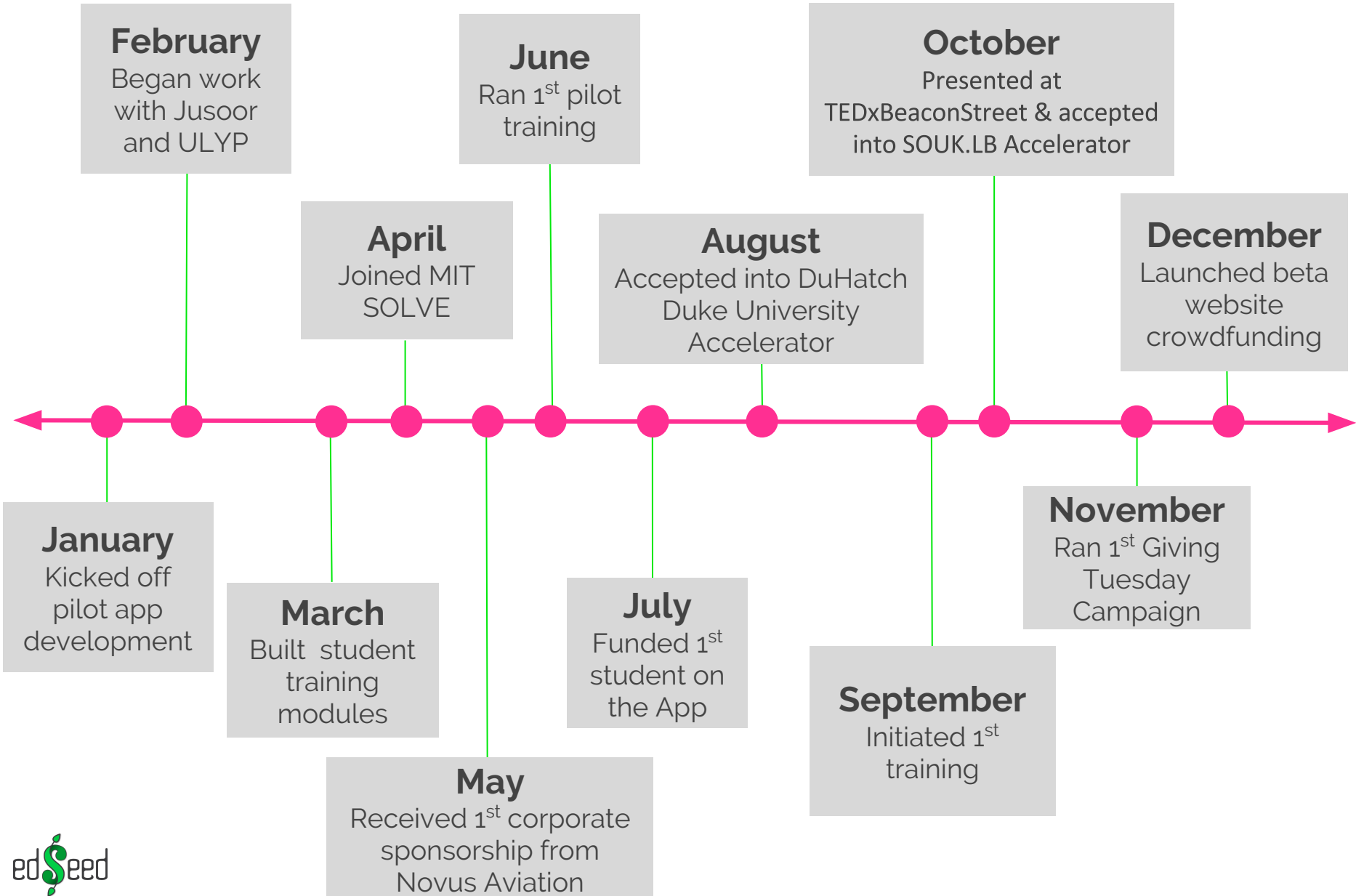
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Students
partially
funded

Fully
funded
students

5

2017 in Review



Sponsors

2017 would not have been such a success without the help of our philanthropic and corporate sponsors



Students

500+

Applied to
edSeed

196

Enrolled in
training

10

Launched
funding
campaigns

5

Received
full
funding

Supporters

2017 was also the year internationally recognized institutions supported edSeed



Notable Achievements

Selected at the United Nations as a SOLVER for the refugee higher education challenge

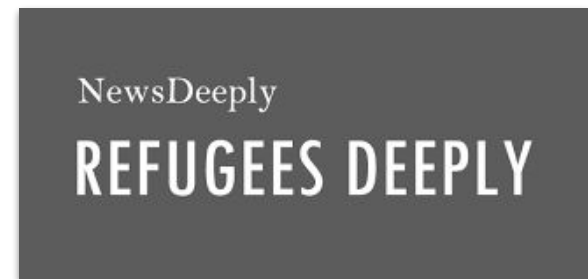
Welcomed into the MIT SOLVE community

@SolveMIT #SolveAtMIT



Media Coverage

In 2017 edSeed was featured in some awesome publications



Special Thanks

To our dedicated volunteers from all around the world who work with passion and professionalism to run edSeed





Honorable Mention

In 2017 the Ammar Al Shami fund was established.

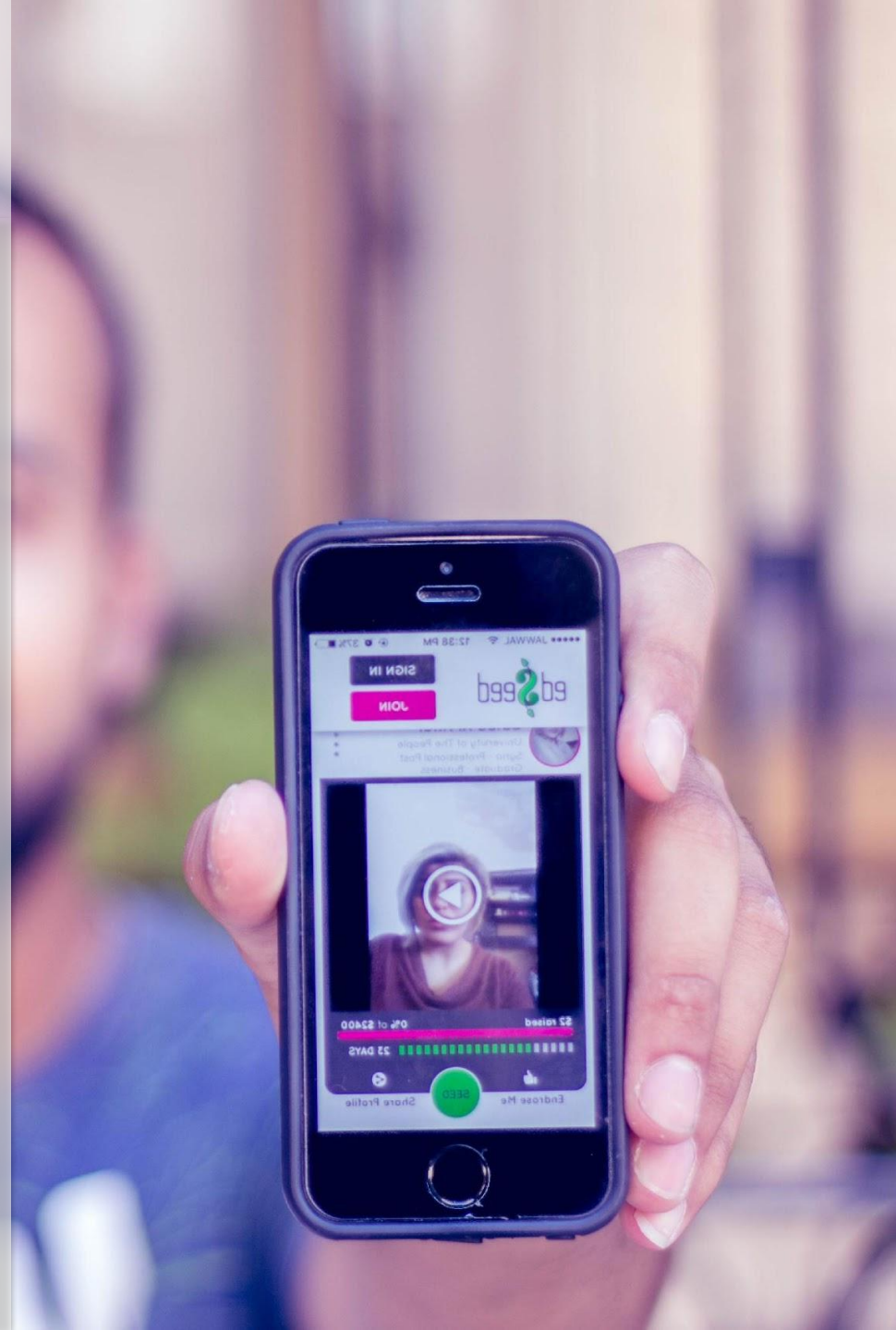
The fund keeps Ammar's legacy alive by spreading his enthusiasm for learning and nature to less fortunate youth in conflict zones

edSeed extends great thanks and appreciation for Rasha Ajalyakeen, Salma, Amin and Ammar's friends and family for their generous donations and ongoing support

2018 Outlook

In 2018, our aim is to fund **218** students. To do that, we want to inspire **60,000** people to donate **\$10** each. Here's how you can help:

1. Volunteer to support our development, marketing, and community engagement teams.
2. Establish an edSeed chapter at your university, or workplace and rally your community to volunteer and fund students.
3. Introduce us to corporate donors and sponsors.
4. Follow us on social media
5. Get creative!





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