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Travis to hold Spark Innovation Summit

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. – Travis Air Force Base is scheduled to hold a three day Spark Innovation Summit, March 5-7.

The inaugural Spark Summit's purpose is to provide interested Air Force wings with the required knowledge to help them establish their own Spark hub.

The summit is a cross-talk event led, briefed, and facilitated by the Airmen fostering grassroots innovation efforts here at Travis and across the Air Force. The summit will help Airmen build the model, describe what they can do now and leverage the innovative mindset of Airmen to drive what is needed to do in the future.

The Phoenix Spark program is a grassroots innovation program whose mission is to bring tomorrow's tools to the warfighter today. Phoenix Spark forms collaborative partnerships between the military's operational experts and the top problem solvers in industry, academia, and government agencies. Phoenix Spark creates unique opportunities for external partners to work directly with military operators on interesting problems and allows for the fielding of solutions.

Phoenix Spark has established its first innovation hub at Travis Air Force Base, California, the largest military installation in Northern California. This unique location links a diverse military mission with regional expertise.

Media are invited to the base at 7:30 a.m. March 6. Opportunities include interviews with Pete Newell, BMNT managing partner, and Steve Blank, Stanford University adjunct professor for management science and engineering, both speaking at the summit.

For additional information, visit: <https://www.sparksummit2018.com/>.

To view the official Facebook event and receive updates, visit:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1329351337169345/>.

For questions and to RSVP, contact 60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs at 707-424-2011 or email 60AMWPA@us.af.mil.

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