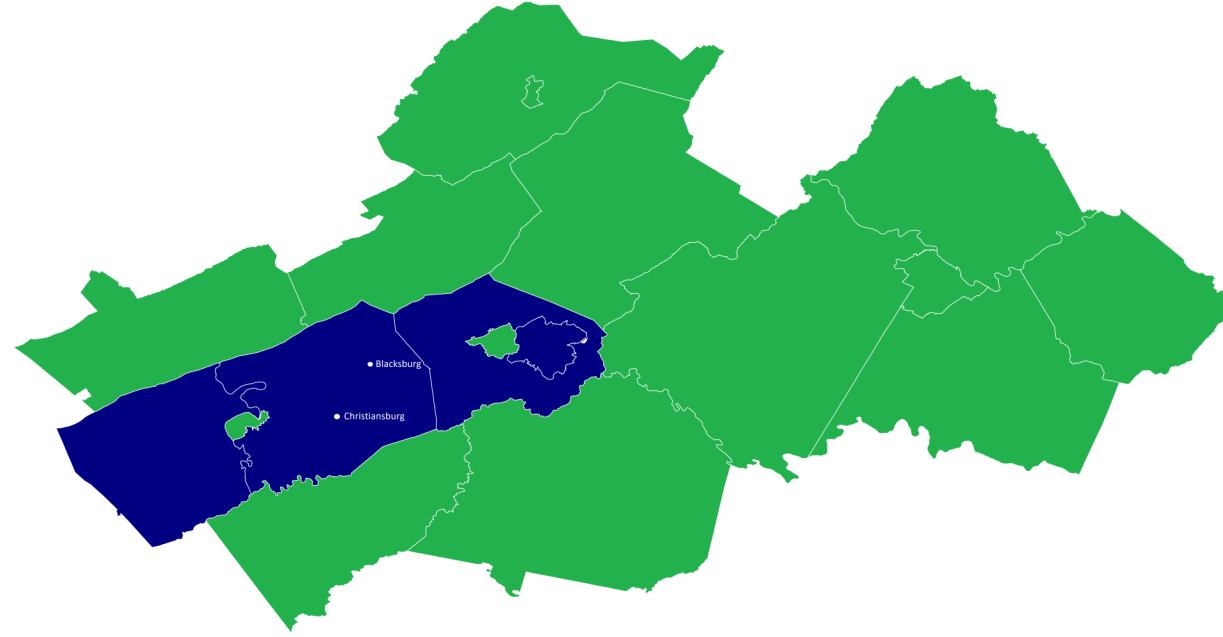# Blockchain Ecosystem Catalyst

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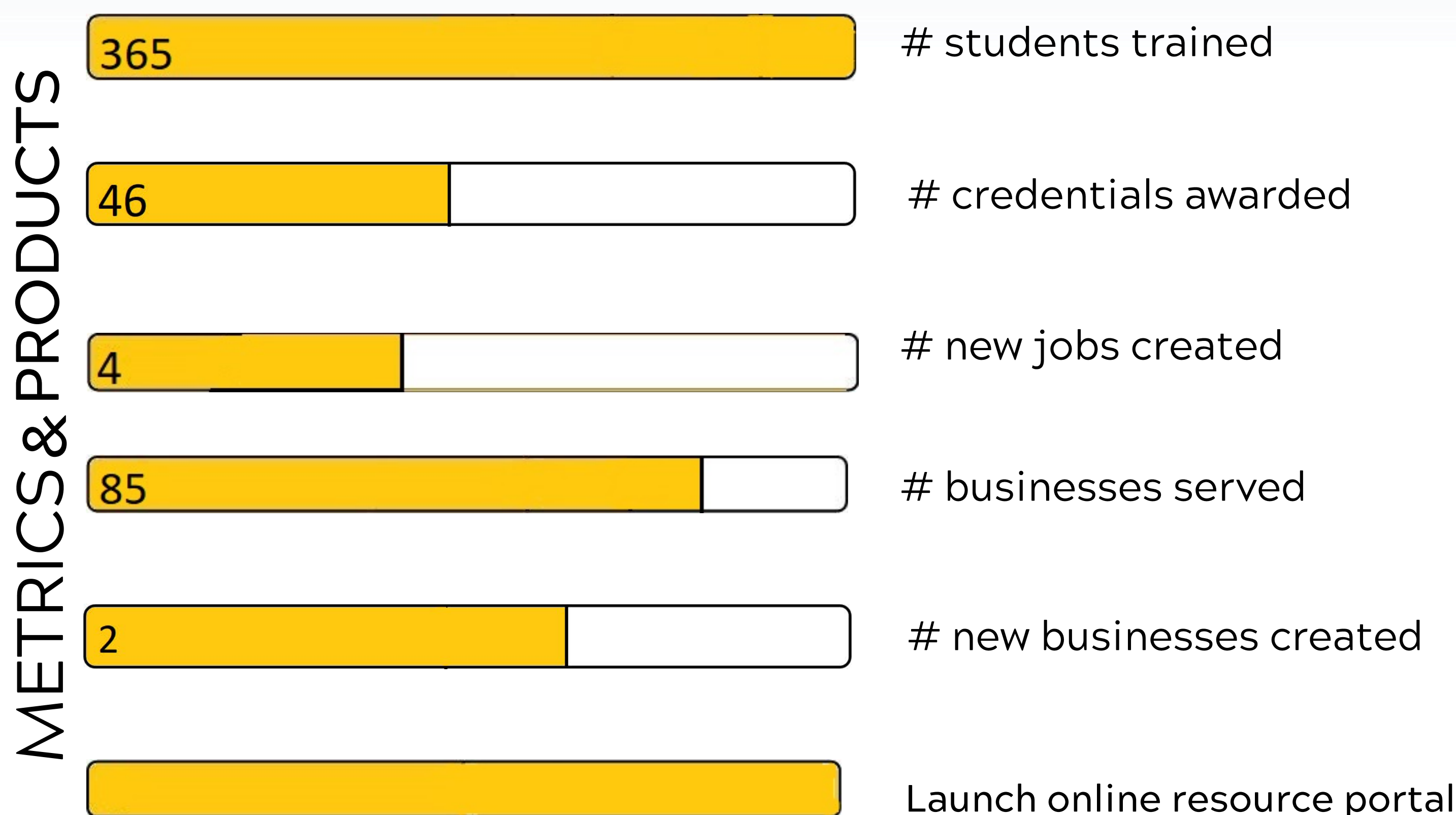Growing and strengthening the Blockchain Ecosystem through seminars, training, and resource sharing for startups, existing companies, and students.

Blockchain Ecosystem Catalyst addresses current talent needs for mid-career professionals by providing seminars, short courses, and training events that ultimately lead to blockchain certifications.

The project develops curriculum and courseware resources for current in-degree students at Virginia Tech, is developing an industry focused blockchain resource portal to support startups and other companies looking to implement blockchain technology, and sponsors industry seminars targeting regional companies to share how blockchain can be used in various fields.

METRICS & PRODUCTS

- 365 — # students trained
- 46 — # credentials awarded
- 4 — # new jobs created
- 85 — # businesses served
- 2 — # new businesses created
- Launch online resource portal

"It's a little hard to get your mind around the impact this could have to our region. And it needs this multiplier effect [The GO Virginia Grant] to get going. This grant provides us a bit more of that foundation that we need."
Brandy Salmon, Associate VP for Innovation and Partnerships, Virginia Tech.

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