



Phone Call Follow-up Interview Protocol

1. Please tell us a bit about your experience participating in the contest.
 - a. Did the contest help you improve your idea?
 - b. Did winning the contest help you feel your idea was valuable and viable?
2. What progress have you made to date on your project? How have you spent your funds?
3. What challenges are you facing? Can Big Ideas help?
4. Have you applied to any other contests or grant competitions? Have you gained additional funding from VCs or any other funders?
5. Looking back, how do you think Big Ideas can better support students throughout the contest? What resources would have been helpful for you to further develop your idea? What additional information do you wish was provided to you?