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Austin FC and Q2 Announce OCA Foods as the 2026 Austin FC Dream Starter Competition Winner

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Austin-based Brazilian-inspired snack company dedicated to creating clean, simple ingredient snacks to receive \$100,000 in funding to accelerate its business and mission

AUSTIN, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Today, OCA Foods was announced as the winner of the 2026 Austin FC Dream Starter Competition presented by **Q2 Holdings, Inc.** (NYSE: QTWO). OCA will receive \$100,000 in funding to accelerate its business and mission as part of the Austin FC Dream Starter business initiative, which supports Austin entrepreneurs.

OCA is a Brazilian-inspired snack company bringing a cleaner, preservative-free take on Paçoca—a beloved peanut bite traditionally enjoyed across Brazil—to consumers in the U.S. Founded in Austin, Texas, OCA was created to honor heritage, family traditions, and the power of simple ingredients people know and trust. Through thoughtfully crafted snacks, OCA aims to create meaningful moments of connection and community with every bite.

“Alongside our partners at Q2, we’re excited to announce OCA as this year’s Dream Starter winner,” said Austin FC President Andy Loughnane. “Their work creates a unique connection between the cultures of Texas and Brazil and exemplifies the strength in diversity of Austin’s entrepreneurial community.”

“Our mission is to build strong and diverse communities by strengthening their financial institutions, and we see that same spirit in OCA,” said Q2 President, Chairman & CEO Matt Flake. “We’re proud to support their mission alongside Austin FC and excited to see how this recognition will help them grow their business in Central Texas.”

“I have no words to express what winning the 2026 Dream Starter Competition means to me. It is an honor and an incredible opportunity to bring our products to more people and better serve our communities,” said OCA Founder Renato Raposo. “As an immigrant founder building a business from the ground up, I deeply connect with the Dream Starter mission of empowering entrepreneurs and strengthening local communities. OCA is more than a snack brand; it is a platform to create opportunities, inspire healthier choices, and bring people together.”

The Austin FC Dream Starter Competition combines Q2’s mission with Austin FC’s inclusivity through equity community pillar. The aim is to connect entrepreneurs with the resources needed to build profitable, high-growth companies. The “Dream Starter” funds will aid OCA in overcoming financial barriers to achieve success.

In addition to OCA, the 2026 Dream Starter finalists included **Hem Support Wear, HealthQuest,**

GrantAppli, and PachaMama Bees.

The five finalists participated in a pitch contest on May 27 at Q2 Stadium. A diverse group of representatives from Austin FC, Q2 Holdings, Inc., and the Austin entrepreneurial community evaluated each finalist's presentation and ultimately selected the winner. OCA will be honored with a check presentation during halftime at the Austin FC vs. Seattle Sounders match on July 22.

Previous Dream Starter winners include: Good Grief, 29Eleven the Salon, SocialNote, CDL Changing Lanes Driving School and At Ease Rentals Corporation.

About Austin FC

Austin FC joined Major League Soccer (MLS) as the League's 27th club in January 2019. Austin FC officially began competing in MLS in April 2021, and in the 2025 season qualified for the MLS Cup Playoffs while also reaching and hosting the final of the U.S. Open Cup. Austin FC plays its home matches at Q2 Stadium, a 100% privately financed, state-of-the-art stadium which earned certification as a zero-waste venue in 2024. Austin FC sold out all 88 MLS home matches it played at Q2 Stadium during its first five seasons in the league, including three home MLS Cup Playoff matches.

Austin FC also operates Austin FC II, a professional-level development team competing in MLS NEXT Pro which won the league title during its inaugural season in 2023. In addition, Austin FC operates the Austin FC Academy which is the fully funded developmental academy representing the highest level of competition for elite youth soccer players in Central Texas, while serving as the exclusive developmental pathway to MLS for the region's most talented young players. Combined, Austin FC II and Austin FC Academy teams complete the pro player pathway between elite youth soccer (MLS NEXT) all the way to MLS, and allow for players to develop, improve, and move up to Austin FC or Austin FC II.

About Q2 Holdings, Inc.

Q2 is a leading provider of digital transformation solutions for financial services, serving banks, credit unions, alternative finance companies, and fintechs in the U.S. and internationally. Q2 enables its financial institution and fintech customers to provide comprehensive, data-driven digital engagement solutions for consumers, small businesses and corporate clients. Headquartered in Austin, Texas, Q2 has offices worldwide and is publicly traded on the NYSE and NYSE Texas under the stock symbol QTWO. To learn more, please visit [Q2.com](https://www.q2.com). Follow us on [LinkedIn](#) and [X](#) to stay up to date.

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