

How Lime, an Affordable Mobility Company, Expanded to Hundreds of Cities and Dozens of Countries in Less than a Year

How Fountain's Software Unlocks Untapped Economic Opportunities





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Founded in San Mateo, California—the heart of Silicon Valley—Lime runs bicycle and scooter sharing networks in cities around the world. In just two years of being in business, the company has established category leadership in smart mobility. They use Internet of Things (IoT) technology to reimagine how communities provide access to public transit along with Fountain's software to fuel their growing share of the transportation market share.

Since launching and expanding its transportation infrastructure in San Francisco in 2017, Lime recognized a need to create more gig roles. This led to the creation of their largest subset of hourly workers, affectionately called "Juicers". These are the individuals who use the Lime app to locate electric scooters in need of charging, collect them, and then charge them at the end of the day.

Lime's gig workforce is the backbone of its business—and a growing force for the expansion of Lime worldwide.

COMPANY

Lime, is an American transportation rental company that runs bicycle and scooter sharing systems in various cities. The systems use dockless vehicles and a mobile app to unlock vehicles.

OFFICES

San Mateo, California

INDUSTRY

Consumer Transportation

TYPE

B2C



FARAAZ NAQVI

Juicer Conversion Manager



"From day one, Fountain has understood the challenges we face in this arena and has provided us with a viable solution that did not previously exist."

The Problem

In order to scale their business, Lime needed a technology partner

Lime's challenge was figuring out how to create a system that allows them to hire tens of thousands of qualified gig workers, around the world, in hundreds of cities, while preserving the integrity and quality of their core business model.

Before Fountain, Lime was doing all their sourcing and recruiting manually, through email and job boards. Their recruiting process was slow because applications were never finished due to the difficult applicant experience. This caused a major hiring bottleneck for Lime.

Lime's pain points were two fold. They were not able to:



Seamlessly recruit and engage candidates quickly by updating from a manual to an automated process



Scale quickly and expand to new markets

The Solution

Lime streamlined their entire recruiting process

In March of 2018, Lime transitioned from a manual process to an automated one with Fountain. Lime was then off and running - hiring Juicers at a high-volume pace with the goal to expand into hundreds of cities around the world. Whereas before, application-completion was a major bottleneck, Fountain now allowed Lime to send out SMS messages that remind and prompt candidates to complete each step of the application process.

The other gamechanger for Lime was having the ability to create hiring funnels quickly for every new market in which they open. Funnels are a customized process to help automate hiring. If Lime's engineering had to make a new funnel for every new market, their operations would be tedious, slow, and expensive. With Fountain's clean UI, however, Lime's users can create or clone their own funnels right away and launch a new market within an hour.

With Fountain, Lime revamped and established a standardized process across all regions. At any given time, Fountain helps Lime manage a pipeline of tens of thousands of applicants and view the data from all these pipelines with built-in analytics.

Results at a glance: Within the first six months of using Fountain, Lime:



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The Result

Automating their hiring process allowed Lime to scale globally while also transforming metropolitan cities into sustainable economies

By September of 2018, six months after implementing Fountain and transitioning to an automated hiring process, Lime expanded from their initial San Francisco market to over 100+ new markets, globally. They now have the means to hire tens of thousands of Juicers and manage their entire hiring operations with a team of less than ten.

Because Lime can now scale, they are accomplishing their company mission of using mobility as a way to transform transportation for people in metropolitan areas. Launching in Detroit is a great example of this. Lime was able to easily launch using only their app, their scooters, and their operations team. In less than a month, people in Detroit are now able to easily and affordably move throughout their city.



The Result

Lime is taking this even one step further and using their sudden growth to spread their mission of lowering carbon emissions. They are doing this by solving the 'first mile, last mile' problem. If you look at other ridesharing companies, more than 30% of their trips are less than 2 miles. So what Lime does is provide an alternative through clean, electric energy. The takeaway is that hiring software isn't just about hiring a workforce - it's about removing the entire bottleneck of hiring so that companies can get to the heart of their mission goals. These are the ones that look at solving greater problems that are huge pain points for people and communities - and this is the real value of Fountain.

The most-used and most-loved Fountain features according to Lime

Funnels are created for each market and job opening and consist of a set of stages (i.e. scheduling, background checks, document signing, etc).

SMS text reminders are the automated messages sent out to candidates throughout the application process. Users can either create their own personalized messages or choose from message templates built into the Fountain software.

Rule stages are powerful filters that the user can apply to the funnels. They can create rules as needed at anytime from their Fountain dashboard.

Document uploading is the ability for applicants to upload and send documents with their mobile device. Users receive and can view these documents from their Fountain dashboard.

Fountain's built-in Integrations allow businesses to add other key functions as needed. These integrations add things like personality assessments, training, background checks and more.

Intuitive software While Fountain offers training and support, the software itself is built with the user in mind. Every action should be intuitive and requires no customer support - the user has complete control.