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## Leadership



Michael Pena - CEO and Co-Founder

Managed \$250 million portfolio as an Equity Trader at TCW Group Finance Director at Nevada-based car dealership



**Craig Younkins - CTO and Co-Founder** 

Worked as Software Engineer for Google Security Team Founder of PythonSecurity.org



**Todd Medema - COO and Co-Founder** 

Founded AppXGames at Carnegie Mellon
.406 Venture Capital Student Fellow

## Industry Mentors



Anne Fleming
Women-Drivers.com



Chad Martin
Martin Automotive Group



Chris Porch
Zag.com



Ben Cohen Vast.com

# Car Buying Sucks

Salesmen pressure buyers into accepting terrible deals and purchasing unnecessary extras

**Price Quote** ≠ **Final Offer** 

price quotes don't include financing terms and extras, so buyers don't know if a car fits their budget in advance

Negotiating a final offer on a car takes on average 3 hours



## Solution

### AutoRef moves the used car negotiation process online

final prices

Buyers compare: financing terms before visiting the lot!

perks and extras

We save buyers on average \$1,800 off sticker price, and \$2,700 off Kelly Blue Book list price

AutoRef charges dealers and not car buyers



# Opportunity

Research Cars

Consumer Reports

Price Comparison

Manufacturer/Dealer Website

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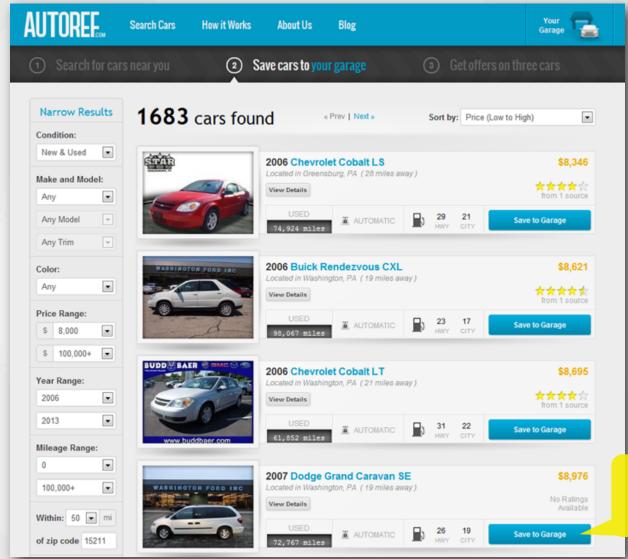
Target Market Opportunity: \$196 billion

Used car dealerships nationwide: 17,767

Dealer profit margin: \$847/new car vs. \$2,177/used car



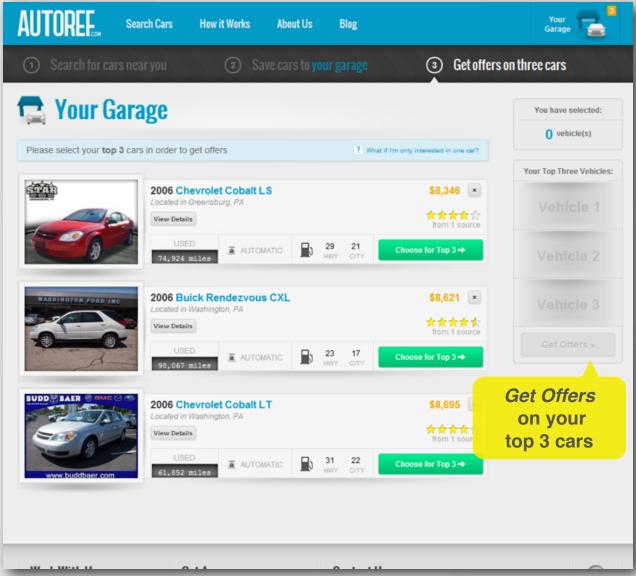
### 1. Browse Cars



Save cars to Your Garage for later

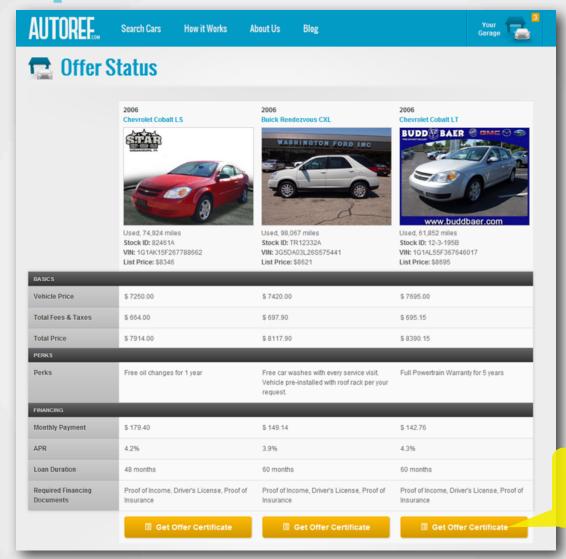


### 2. Save Cars to Your Garage





### 3. Compare Offers from Dealers



**Print Your Certificate** for the dealership



### 4. Print Offer Certificate

Print out this certificate and bring it with you to the dealership in order to claim your offer

### AUTOREF OFFICIAL OFFER CERTIFICATE

The *Offer Certificate* details vehicle price breakdown

**VEHICLE** 

2006

**Chevrolet Cobalt LT** 



Used, 61,852 miles

Stock ID: 12-3-195B

VIN: 1G1AL55F367646017

#### Budd Baer Buick Gmc Subaru Mazda

71 Murtland Avenue Washington, PA 15301

#### OFFER

OUT-THE-DOOR PRICE:

\$8,390

\* includes all taxes, fees, and incentives

#### **PRICE DETAILS**

Base Price	\$7,695
Total Taxes and Fees	\$695
Tax	\$538
Title/Plates	\$27
Document Preparation Fee	\$129
Smog Check Fee	\$0
Misc. Fees	\$0
OUT-THE-DOOR PRICE	\$8,390

#### FINANCING DETAILS

\$142 / month for 0 months, at 4.3%% APR

#### **PERKS AND EXTRAS**

Full Powertrain Warranty for 5 years

Offer ID: FY2qHw9XJuH1S7kK1ZhK

### **Business Model**

#### **AutoRef Beta**

**AutoRef charges dealers and not car buyers** 

Dealers paying monthly subscription \$550/month

**AutoRef Expansion** 

**Build out premium features for dealerships** 

Dealers will be charged \$250/car purchased



## Competitors

### **Potential Entrants**













### **AutoRef's Defensibility**

**Currently negotiating exclusive partnerships** 





two of the largest inventory management providers

## Competitive Advantage

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pricing	\$30 per lead	\$250 per car sold +\$300 per financing buyer	\$50 per lead
avg. number of leads per month	25 leads	20 leads	70 leads
lead conversion rate	~28% converted	~38% converted (better leads)	~13% converted
customer focus	lowest price	best offer (combination of price, financing, and extras)	lowest price
how they hurt dealers	proprietary financing, lower profit margins	dealers love us!	proprietary financing, low-quality leads



## Traction

Beta release in Pittsburgh and Los Angeles

30 days after launch

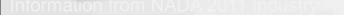
Earning revenue from monthly subscriptions

**27%** local dealership penetration

**300 dealerships** across Pennsylvania and Los Angeles

**38%** close rate on referrals

**Hundreds** of leads sent to dealerships





## **Growth Strategy**

#### Pittsburgh Beta

48% local dealerships on trial subscription



**Los Angeles Beta** 

10% local dealerships on premium subscription

#### **Nationwide**

Total Market: 17,767 dealers

**Exclusive Partnerships: 7,000 dealers** 

**Projected Market Penetration: ~25%** 





### Value to Dealers

**Dealerships Save Time** 

**High-quality leads = Fewer wasted hours** 

**Dealerships Save Money** 

**Customer acquisition costs: \$650** 

**AutoRef charges: \$250 per customer** 

**Dealerships Earn More** 

Unprecedented access to financing customers

Dealers earn more financing referrals: \$1500 each



## Dealers Love Us

"We're able to assess whether the customer qualifies...within 5 minutes"

"The quality of the lead is actually very very good, as opposed to other lead providers"

"The quality of the leads through AutoRef are top notch"

Dealer Testimonial Video: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EmFS9FYwt88">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EmFS9FYwt88</a>



## Press Coverage

Los Angeles Business Journal

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette® post-gazette.com





## **Exits and Comparables**

### AutoTrader IPO at \$300 million

Acquired: Kelly Blue Book (~\$550 million), Manheim, Homenet



Acquired: NowCars.com, WhyPaySticker.com



TRUECar raised \$200 million+ in funding



# Funding

Goal: Raise Seed Round \$1.5 million

**Expand inventory and dealership sales nationwide** 

**Grow engineering and sales teams** 

Build out product roadmap: DMS integration, dealer dashboard,

trade-in capabilities and car research tools

With \$40k investment from AlphaLab startup accelerator

Developed and launched a proven platform

**Currently generating monthly revenue** 



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Thank You

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