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PERSONAL STRATEGIC PLAN "Any individual should act as a business"

WHAT IS A PERSONAL STRATEGIC PLAN?

- •A personal strategic plan is a business strategic plan applied to an individual .
- •Making our personal goals a reality requires strategy, vision and commitment to get what we want and to go where we want to be.
- Objectives achievement is driven by flawless execution through means of coordinating and controlling all of our activities.
- •A personal strategic plan is meant to capture all of the above in an action plan that will integrate individual components such as:
 - personal marketing
 - •financial planning
 - •individual's capabilities management
 - personal network development

PERSONAL STRATEGIC PLAN FRAMEWORK

- Executive Summary
 - Personal strategy statement
- Individual Overview
 - Personal assessment of interactions, values, believes, objectives, obstacles
- Personal Marketing Plan
 - How to create and how to capture value
- Financial Plan
 - Financial planning of short and long term financial objectives
 - Investments in learning and personal development

PERSONAL STRATEGIC PLAN FRAMEWORK (CONT'D)

- Individual Operating Plan
 - •Personal management: capacity allocation, use of time, efficiency criteria, personal performance indicators
- Personal Networking Plan
 - •Network development, social media presence, professional groups and organizations affiliation
- Action Plan
 - •Short and long term specific actions to execute on the plan,
- Appendix

- Executive Summary
 - Personal strategy statement
 - •Identifies what the individual is going to achieve
 - •Snapshot of the present status, ongoing personal development and future steps
 - •Should represent the individual, identify strategies, assets, competencies, target market and financial needs

Although at the forefront of the plan, should be the last one written

- •Individual Overview
 - •Personal assessment of capabilities, interactions, values, believes, objectives, obstacles
 - •Objective evaluation of individual context and relationships with external environment
 - •Assess individual capabilities, preferences and objectives
 - •conduct analysis on the economy, the industry and the individual position relative to his or hers competitors, availability of substitute products or services, other suppliers, new entrants and organizations interested in his or hers capabilities;

- Personal Marketing Plan
 - How to create and how to capture value
 - Assessment of identified industry (market) of interest
 Identify potential customers and competitors, existing suppliers, new entrants, availability of substitute products or services
 - Segment the market into smaller sections that share the same needs, wants and demands
 - Quantify the value you offer to potential customers (employers)
 - Develop promotion and advertising strategies
 - Understand how much the market is willing to pay for your services or products

Financial Plan

- •Should include your present financial status and future planning
- Assess personal financial well being through analysis of profitability, resources management, liquidity and leverage, investments
- Apply basic business accounting tools to your own financial performance
 - Income Statement is there any profit?
 - •Cash Flow is the cash flow positive?
 - •Balance Sheet what do we spend versus to what do we make
 - •Financial Ratios critical view on finance
- Determine projected personal revenue / costs through the use of proforma financial statements
- •Emerging alternatives will require financial decision on issuing debt, or



Individual Operating Plan

- Present and future personal operations requirements
- Individual operations requirements: capacity allocation, use of time,
 efficiency criteria
- Individual mode of operation structure: daily schedule, priorities, task oriented action plan;
- •Individual advantages / disadvantages: location, owned or rented property, proximity to transportation means providing time and cost benefits
- •Equipment availability for conducting individual operations: computers, cell phones, access to electronic networks

Personal Networking Plan

- •How to develop your network, social media presence, professional groups and organizations affiliation
- •Identify key people such as influencers, decision makers, business owners, mentors, coaches, subject matter experts
- Evaluate existing contacts in various organizations
- Determine what contacts are needed
- •Follow-up on older contacts and establish rapport
- Continuously develop your network

Action Plan - General Short and Long Term Plan to Implement Personal Strategy

- •Short Term Plan (90 days)
 - Immediate actions to prepare yourself for achieving long term objectives
- •Long Term Plan (6 months 5 years)
 - Tactical execution of strategic vision structured by phase or key issues
 - •Should clearly identify priorities and sequence of execution together with metrics measuring progress
 - •Should differentiate between objectives and the actions taken to achieve them.

Appendix

- Should contain relevant documents as applicable to each paragraph of the Personal Strategic Plan
- Examples:
 - Individual financial performance assessment and analysis
 - Market analysis
 - Personal network development, present and future

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