SAMPLE MATERIAL

Success Planning: A 'How-to' Guide for Strategic Planning

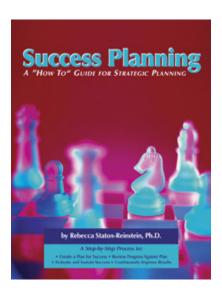


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Do's and Don'ts of Strategic Planning Using this Workbook Successfully THE STRATEGIC PLANNING **PROCESS**

Steps in Strategic Planning Process I PREPARE FOR PLANNING

- A. Perform Situational Analysis
 - 1. Determine data that you need for a thorough, useful analysis
 - 2. Gather the data
 - 3. Determine data accuracy and completeness
 - 4. Analyze data
 - 5. Create a summary report Data Analysis Results - Priority information for planning
- B. Perform SWOT Analysis Comparison Matrix:

Strengths/Weaknesses

Comparison Matrix:

Opportunities/Threats

C. Define Customer Expectations

Customer Surveys

Top of the head survey

Reflective survey

Key Customer Expectations

Key Stakeholder Expectations

- D. Perform "Brain Dump" of ideas and desired activities
- E. Collate Planning Considerations
- II SET DIRECTION

- A. Create or Revisit the Vision Steps to create a Vision Our Vision
- B. Create o revisit the Mission Steps to create the Mission Our Mission Aligning Vision and Mission Aligning Our Mission with next higher lever Mission
- C. Develop high level Goals Steps to create Goals
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- A. Define desired outcomes for each level

SMART Objectives

Steps to create Objectives

Objective definition matrix

B. Choose Strategies for each objective

Strategy Definition Matrix

Perform Risk Analysis

Review and accept the Objectives

- IV CREATE THE STRATEGIC PLAN
- A. Review Strategic Plan
- B. Finalize Strategic Plan Strategic Plan
- V CREATE TACTICAL PLAN
 - A. Define Tactics, Tasks or Activities Steps to create Tactical Plan Tactical Plan
 - B. Set responsibility, measurement, and targets
 - C. Set up reviews
- D. Publish the Plan

E. Create Tactical Plan for each organizational level
The relation of Tactical Planning

The relation of Tactical Planning and Project Management

VI CREATE THE BUDGET

- A. Calculate Budget for each task
- B. Estimate costs of alternative tasks
- C. Create first draft

Steps to create a Budget

D. Cut Budgets Strategically Steps to Cut the Budget

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- B. Analyze deviation from Plan
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