



## Successfully Starting a Business Requires 3 Things - Plus A Great Strategy

Starting a successful business requires three things:

- A good idea,
- The right amount of capital you'll need, and
- Creativity.

However, with the challenges many businesses faced over the last few years (particularly those who were finding their feet and starting up, having just those three things to face the pressures of the business environment might be a little daunting. That's why having a strategy in place for your business and a plan for its path in the future is of paramount importance.

Think Through Every Element Of Your Startup (From Top To Bottom) Having the idea for your business is a great starting point, but articulating that idea to your investors with a solid foundation behind it is even more important.

Think about the questions that your investors might ask you about critical elements of your business, including your target audience, the competition in the field, your company's goals and your potential marketing strategies, as well as potential questions investors might ask you about each of those aspects of your business. Having solid answers in place will give your investors (and you) a better picture of the idea and your potential as a business innovator.

## **Draft A Business Plan**

Having a physical business plan that includes all of the elements you brought forward to your investors or partners will help you move forward on your business trajectory and also gives a map of your business goals.

Creating a business plan should be easy as it simply puts in writing what you have already discussed ahead of time with your investors. You may also be able to speak with us about creating business plans at the beginning of your business and throughout your business's lifetime.

**Put Your Money Into The Resources You Need (Not The Ones You Want)** 

It might be tempting to shell out for the best and the flashiest equipment that your business could have a use for all at once, but it's best to plan out your expenses. Determine your needs upfront and invest in them. Are you planning a physical space for your business, or can operations be conducted remotely? Putting the extra money into the critical resources and equipment your business needs initially may help you produce a quality product and earmark your business.

Don't Skimp On The Marketing Marketing is one of the most important business growth strategies but is often neglected or overlooked by new businesses. Use social media, create a website, set up a blog or create email campaigns to bring awareness to your business.

Hire An Accountant An accountant is specially trained to manage your finances and keep them in good order. While you might be able to keep track of your finances in the early stages of the business's growth, we're equipped to help when things start to pick up speed. Start a conversation to find out how we can help your business today.

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