

Making Strategic Planning Agile & Impactful

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Facilitator Introductions



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Committing to the Relevance of Strategic Planning

SESSION OUTLINE

Identifying your Sources of Differentiation

Building the 1-Pager: Connecting the pieces



Strategic Planning

WHY? and

WHAT IS IT?









New organization... The sky is the limit, but no identity and resources evolving



Established... Identity established, environmental changes, new constraints



Meeting you where you are now... and leading you into the future

STRATEGIC PLANNING

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Strategic planning is the management process of developing and maintaining a **VIABLE FIT** between the organization's objectives and resources and its environmental opportunities and threats to define a roadmap for achieving success.

Strategic Planning: A Process

Understand the Current Landscape

- Ideal customer
- Comparative competitor set
- Opportunities

Make Decisions

- Strategic purpose (vision, mission, values)
- Strategies for Growth
- Competitive positioning

Implement Decisions

- Each unit should support the strategies
- Create goals and objectives that align the organization

To enable agility, organizations need an *effective*, stable backbone



Strategic Planning FAQs

Who to include?

How long should it take?

What do I need to understand beyond my organization?

How often should we do it?

What happens next?

How do we make Strategic Planning Relevant to you?



GOAL: What do you do that's different?



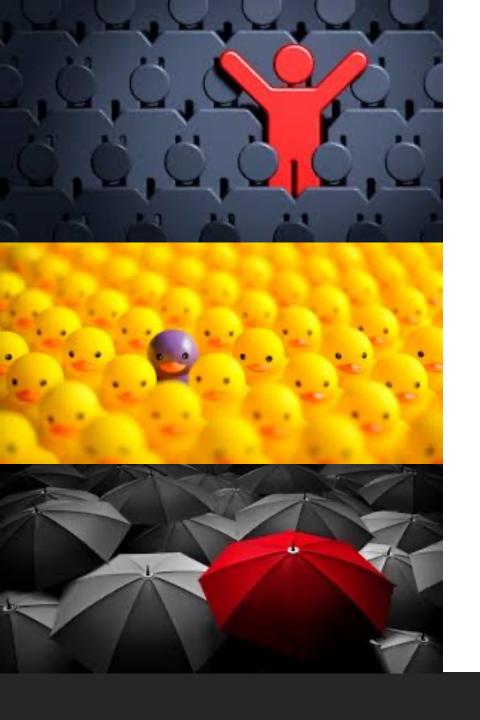
Raise Your Hand If You...

Are grant funded

Courting a potential donor?

Makes the community a better place?

These things are NOT your differentiators.



How does YOUR organization...

Differentiate itself from the comparative competitive set?

Revisiting your

Key Differentiators



What makes your organization unique? What exclusive value does your nonprofit bring to the community?

Key Differentiators...

Find your 'Wow'

Dive down to a more specific audience

Ask yourself, 'What if We Went Away?'

Focus On Advancing The Impact By Combining Forces

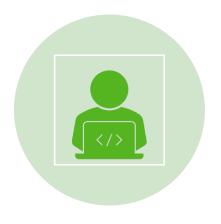
Define Your Core Values And Mission

Leverage Your Story

Use Content, Connections And Community

Collect And Share Impact Data

Sources of Differentiation







PROGRAMMING



RELIABILITY / QUALITY / ACCESSIBILITY



BRAND-CAUSE ASSOCIATION

Strategic Choice

You can't be everything to everyone. Pick one thing and do it really well.





The Cancer Research Institute (CRI) is a nonprofit organization dedicated exclusively to advancing immunotherapy to treat, control, and cure all cancers.

ASK.

TALK TO YOUR STAKEHOLDERS - YOUR CUSTOMERS, EMPLOYEES, BOARD MEMBERS, COLLEAGUES...

Ready. Set. Action.

MOVING FORWARD... STRATEGICALLY



Buildingthe 1-Pager. ANonprofit Business Model Canvas

NON-PROFIT BUSINESS MODEL CANVAS

Vision

What is the purpose of your organization, what needed change should it bring about?

PURPOSE: WHY WE EXIST

Key Activities

What are the most important activities our organization carries out?

Key Differentiators

What makes our organization unique?

Audiences

Who are our most important audiences, what do they need from our organization, and how do we reach them? (May include supporters, beneficiaries, researchers, etc.)

Key Challenges

What are the biggest challenges we face to carrying out or key activities?

Key Competitors

Who are our most important competitors, both not-for-profit and commercial?

FEASIBILITY: CAN WE DELIVER?

Measures

What are the key measures of our success? (Include only strategically important measures, both financial and non-financial)

Existing Partnerships

Who do we currently partner with to help carry out our key activities?

Audience Needs Channels

DESIRABILITY: WHAT DO THEY WANT?

Desired Partnerships

Who could help us carry out our key activities but aren't currently partners?

Potential Mergers

Who could we merge with to help carry out our key activities more efficiently or effectively?

POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES

POTENTIAL

THREATS

Cost Structure

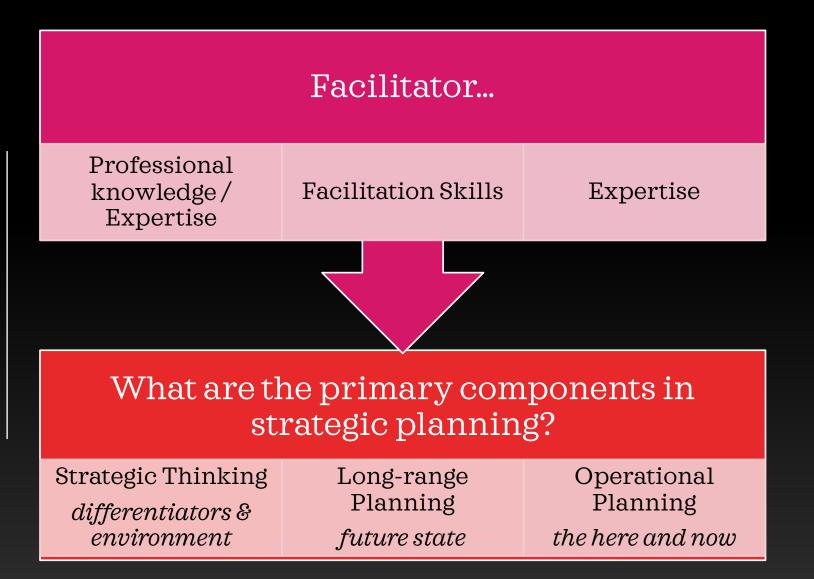
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Top Income Streams

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STABILITY

Who Does What?



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Revisiting Today's Objectives

How will you use strategic planning in your organization? How could you use it in a way that is impactful?

Does everyone in your organization have a good idea of what differentiators are and how they are being leveraged?

Could you use the nonprofit business model canvas to connect your strategy to other initiatives in your organization?

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