

VALUE-BUILDING EXPERTISE

# **OPERATIONAL PLANS**

#### INTRODUCTION

Operational planning is a critical process for business owners aiming to ensure their company's day-to-day activities align with strategic goals. It involves translating broader goals into clear, actionable steps to achieve specific objectives, optimizing resources, and improving overall efficiency and outcomes.

Spanning weeks to a year, Operational plans serve as a blueprint for daily operations and ensure team cohesion to achieve organizational goals. They are the What and How behind the Financial Plan.

Most importantly, Operations acts as the delivery mechanism for the company, enabling it to fulfill the promises made by Sales to achieve growth goals.

#### **ABOUT RIZOLVE PARTNERS**

Rizolve Partners is a strategic advisory firm that helps privately-owned businesses achieve peak value. We help businesses owners define the right path and take the right steps to realize optimal outcomes.

We guide private businesses on how to accelerate growth, drive value and position themselves for scalability, external investment and liquidity events. With the right plan, executed by the right team, it can be enjoyable and extremely rewarding.



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### **PROBLEM**

Many organizations face challenges in bridging the gap between high-level strategy and day-today execution. This often leads to inefficiencies, miscommunication, and missed targets. Without a clear operational plan, teams may struggle to prioritize tasks, allocate resources effectively, or measure progress. Some common issues include:

- Lack of clarity around roles and responsibilities can cause confusion, task duplication, and siloed efforts as well as low employee morale and high turnover rates.
- Poor resource allocation can result in underutilization or bottlenecks.
- Inconsistent task prioritization across the organization can divert focus from key objectives.
- Poor communication across teams can result in delays and errors.
- Inability to measure progress effectively due to the absence of specific performance metrics.
- Lack of flexibility to adapt can result in disorganized responses to unexpected challenges.

Additionally, without a clear operational framework, companies may struggle with scaling up to meet Sales commitments, which can hinder growth and damage customer relationships.



## SOLUTION

Operational planning breaks down strategic goals into specific, manageable tasks. It involves:

- 1. Goal Setting: Define clear, measurable objectives aligned with the company's vision.
- 2. Capacity Planning: Plan, train, and onboard the right capacity to meet sales objectives.
- **3. Resource Allocation:** Allocate necessary resources (personnel, equipment, budget).
- 4. Task Assignment: Break down goals into specific tasks and assign to team members.
- **5. Timeline Development:** Create a realistic timeline with milestones.
- 6. Performance Metrics: Establish KPIs to track progress and make data-driven decisions.
- 7. Monitoring and Adjustment: Regularly review progress and adjust as needed to stay on track.

Effective planning also includes contingency strategies to adapt to unexpected changes.



## BENEFITS

The advantages of robust operational planning include:

- Enhanced Efficiency: Clear plans help teams focus on priorities, reducing waste and delays.
- Better Decision-Making: A structured framework ensures scalability, informed resource allocation and process improvements.
- Improved Communication: Operational planning ensures transparency and role clarity.
- Increased Accountability: Clear assignments and regular reviews ensure team responsibility.
- Goal Achievement: A well-defined plan provides a clear path to achieve strategic goals.
- Increased Agility: A solid plan enables quick adjustments to market changes and challenges.

Let's talk about how Rizolve Partners can help you develop and implement robust Operational Planning to achieve your business goals.