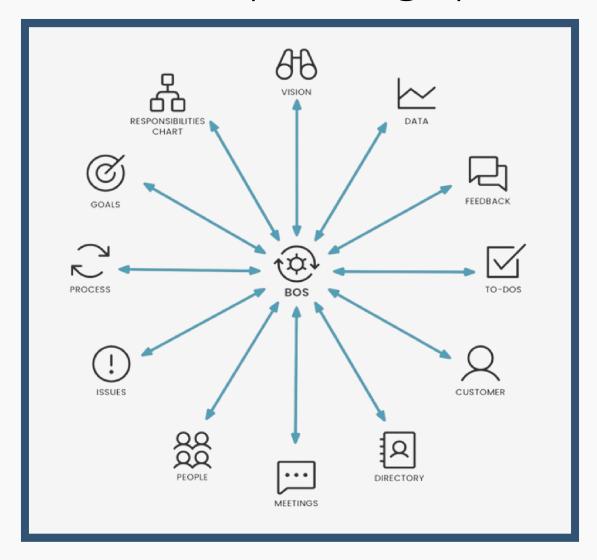


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## **Business Operating System**



A cohesive **Business Operating System (BOS)** provides the essential framework to define, establish, manage, and validate your operations. With a BOS in place, the entire organization is focused on the company's vision and objectives, promoting consistency and alignment. It provides much-needed structure, validating your company's goals and defining your future trajectory. Effective leadership, management, teamwork, and accountability are among the many benefits of implementing a great BOS.

A structured BOS can significantly benefit any start-up or small business by keeping information organized, streamlining processes, and serving as a centralized system-of-record. It also serves as a virtual workplace, facilitating remote operations and collaboration. Above all, a great BOS can drive success by promoting organization and alignment, empowering your business to build, run, and scale effectively.

## Aspirations & Benefits

What are your reasons for implementing a Business Operating System?



### Company Assessment

For each of the following, please rate your company on a scale of I (bad) to 5 (great).



Your **Vision, Identity & Goals** are clear, substantiated & understood:

I. Unknown

2. General idea

3. You know, but no one else does

4. Shared among Leadership

5. Shared with the world

Your Score:



Your **Core Values** are known, embraced & embodied by all employees:

2. General idea, not written down 3. Written but not refined

4. Written & refined

5. Everyone embodies values Your Score:



Your **Processes (SOPs)** are clearly documented and followed by all:

Disorganized &

2. Not documented

3. Documented but not clear

4. Clearly documented but not followed

5. Clearly documented & followed by all Your Score:



You have **Scorecards** that set, track & validate your Leading KPIs:

2. Only financials tracked

3. Track some, not regularly

4. Leadership tracks KPIs regularly

5. Centrally documented & tracked

Your Score:



Your Weekly, Quarterly & Annual Meetings are productive & timely:

2. Sporadic, unproductive meetings

3. Regularly held but unproductive 4. Regular & somewhat productive

5. Held weekly & very productive

Your Score:



You know how to tackle your **Issues** in a professional and productive way:

. Issues not

2. Issues discussed with few

3. Discussed with team, but unproductively

4. Discussed with team but not resolved often

5. Discussed with transparency and always resolved

Your Score:



Your **People** are the right fit for the positions they hold:

wrong fit

2. Reviews conducted, fit not calculated

3. Reviews conducted, people wrong fit 4. Most people are right fit for their jobs

5. Each person is the right fit for their jobs

Your Score:



Everyone in your organization is aware of their respective **Responsibilities**:

2. Responsibilities not clear

3. Responsibilities are generalized

4. Partial Responsibilities Chart

5. Defined Responsibilities Chart

Your Score:

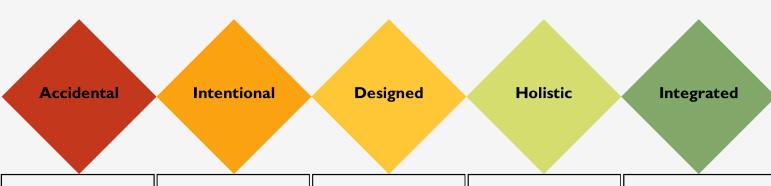




Problematic	Sufficient	Exemplary
1 > 2 > 3	5 6 7	8 9 10

#### Your Business Operating System

A Business Operating System (BOS) is the way your company operates on a day-to-day basis. Whether you know it or not, you have a BOS. Which of the following represents your company?



The **Accidental** BOS is reactive, disorganized & ad hoc. It is often found in start-ups & small, early-stage businesses.

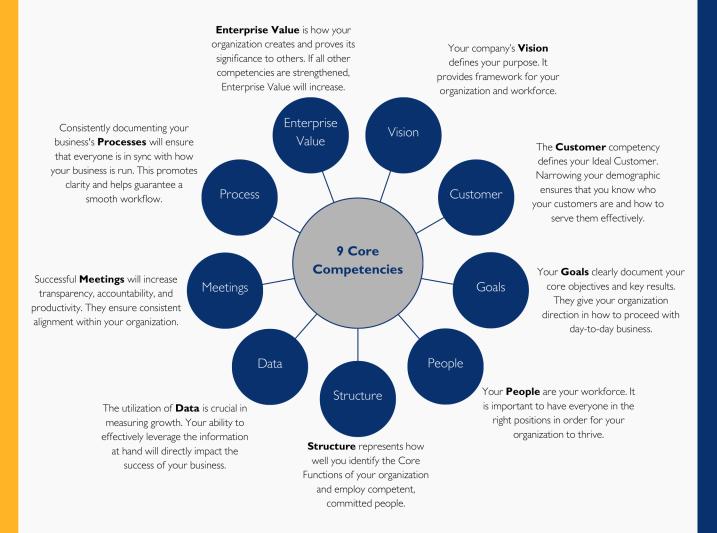
The **Intentional** BOS is disjointed yet intentional. It is found in businesses that have just started to stabilize. The **Designed** BOS is typically a framework from a popular book or coach/consultant. It is often self-implemented.

The **Holistic** BOS aims to address and manage all of the major operational components of a traditional BOS.

The Integrated BOS seamlessly integrates all major elements. It helps a company run smoothly with ease.

### Concepts, Tools & Disciplines

To achieve sustained success in business, it's vital to master the essential **Concepts, Tools & Disciplines** that align everyone towards unified goals. This allows you to step away from your day-to-day business and work on the overall health of your company. The **9 Core Competencies** are the time-tested and essential **Concepts** that when focused on, allow you to build a successful company.



Incorporating the essential **Concepts, Tools & Disciplines (CTDs)** into your business will help you accomplish your objectives while overcoming significant hurdles. While these ideas might seem straightforward in theory, it can be difficult to integrate them into your routines.

List any Concepts, Tools, or Disciplines that you are currently using.



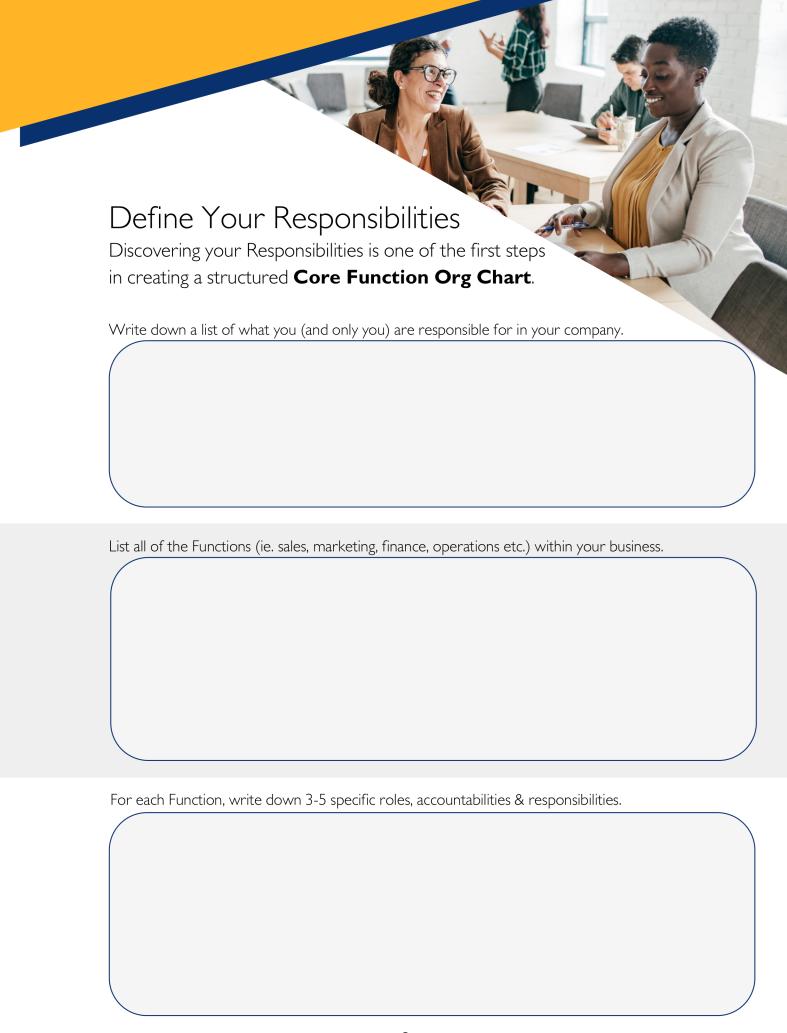
Establishing a sound organizational structure is essential for any company. Ultimately, successful companies have the right personnel in appropriate positions and can maintain employee retention over an extended period. While each person possesses their unique strengths, ensuring that they are in the right role and are accountable for the right responsibilities is pivotal to your overall success.

In addition, transparency is a vital aspect of any organization, and it's crucial for everyone to know the responsibilities of their colleagues. The **Core Function Org Chart** comes in handy by highlighting every individual's Function across the company, allowing for seamless communication and promoting accountability. Unlike a typical Org Chart, which focuses on job titles only, a Core Function Org Chart emphasizes the roles and responsibilities of each employee, eliminating hierarchical bureaucratic clutter.

The **People** competency also encompasses learning and development. According to the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), losing an employee costs 6 to 9 months of their salary. Providing regular feedback through weekly meetings, quarterly conversations and annual reviews not only supports your workforce but also provides vital feedback to the employees and the organization.

"Train people well enough so they can leave. Treat them well enough so they don't want to."

- Sir Richard Branson





Setting tangible goals is essential in providing direction and generating traction for your business. To establish effective goals, it's necessary to create a balance of long-term, mid-term, and short-term objectives. Long-term goals should be viewed as a destination, while mid and short-term goals serve as the roadmap. It's crucial to ensure that your goals are focused and attainable, meaning that a few Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound (SMART) goals are preferable to many scattered ones.

#### Set Your Goals



Think out 5-10 years in the future. Write down the **Compelling and Audacious Goals** that you would like your company to accomplish in the long-term.

What do you want to achieve within the next 3 years to reach your long-term goals?

What do you want to accomplish within the next year to reach your 3-year goals?

What do you want to complete within the next 90 days to reach your 1-year goals?



Monitoring Data in your organization is vital to validate that the day-to-day business is running smoothly. It is imperative that you track actions and activities that deliver results. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are the metrics that one uses to track data, and it is important to use leading indicators in order to forecast, anticipate, and predict changes in your business. It is best to track data weekly and use rolling 13-weeks to see patterns and trends. Ideally, there should be three to five key measurables for each Function, and they should be Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound (SMART).

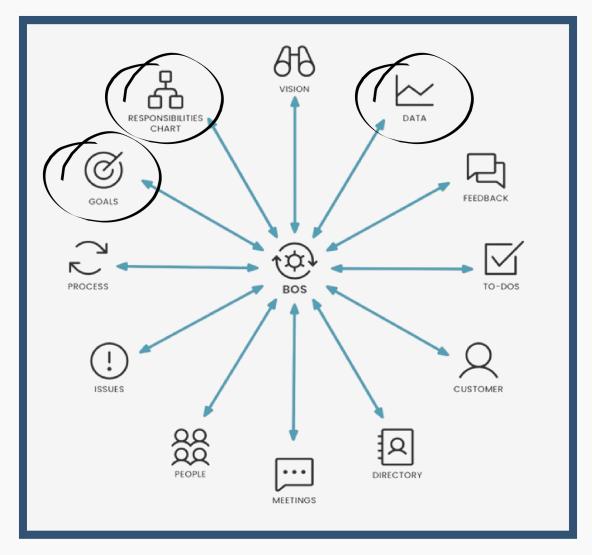


### Establish Your Data

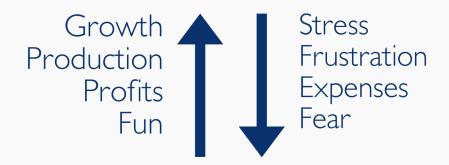
The most vital KPIs within your business are the ones that track the important actions and activities. These are called "Leading Indicators."

	List the key KPIs/Data that you currently track:	
2	What KPIs (that you currently track) measure performance before an event has occurred (ex: customer lifetime value, product development time, etc.)?	
3	What KPIs (that you currently track) show your past performance (ex. sales, profit margins, active customers, etc.)?	
4	What KPIs can you add to help you better measure results?	

## Business Operating System



This guide provides insights into several essential Concepts, Tools, and Disciplines that constitute a Business Operating System, including Responsibilities, Goals, and Data. While these elements are fundamental to the success of your organization, they represent a fraction of the benefits a BOS can offer. To leverage the full potential of a BOS, you must incorporate a range of other Concepts, Tools, and Disciplines. Ultimately, this approach will help you to build, run, and grow a successful company.





### **Next Steps**

Thank you! We hope you find this helpful.

If you would like additional information about implementing a Business Operating System into your company and would like more information about BOS-UP, please visit www.bos-up.work.



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