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Company Description

Legal Form of Business

Sole Athletics will be established in the state of Oregon as a general partnership. Mr. Mestas will have 10 percent ownership in the company while Mr. Martinez will receive 40 percent ownership. A potential angel investor will own 50 percent of the business. Mr. Mestas and Mr. Martinez will be actively involved in the management of the business, and will have equal influence as members; therefore a combined financial resource pool will be a major benefit of a general partnership because it allows both partners to share the burden of the financial commitment.



Cardio and Isometric stations

Company Governance

Sole Athletics will consist of two partners, Mr. Mestas, Mr. Martinez, and an angel investor. The partners will acquire a loan of \$50,000 to pay for the equipment required to upgrade the already established gym. The angel investor will invest a total of

\$425,000 to fund the purchase of the already established gym, Bueno Fitness, which reduces the cost of purchasing new equipment and resources. Mr. Martinez recently inherited money from a deceased relative, allowing him to invest a total of \$300,000 to support the remaining purchase of the business, fund the payroll and marketing campaign, and provide a decent reserve. Since the angel investor will spend the greatest amount of capital, they will receive 50 percent equity. Mr. Martinez will receive 40



percent equity as he contributed a significant percentage of funds. Being a recent college graduate and having no disposable income or savings, Mr. Mestas is unable to provide the business with a significant amount of capital. Because his only contribution will be taking out the loan, he will only attain 10 percent. Each partner will be responsible for a specific area of leadership in the business. Phillip Mestas obtained a Master's Degree in Accounting from Oregon State University. His training has prepared him for the challenges of managing finances and allocating funds. Antonio Martinez received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and Administration from the University of Portland, making him well qualified to plan, organize, direct, and control the organizations activities.





Company Location

Sole Athletics will be located at 442 NW 14th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97209. The location holds a building that previously housed a gym, Bueno Fitness, in the Pearl District of Portland. Bueno Fitness was a successful business, but its owners are ready to retire. The owners are searching for young and qualified entrepreneurs to buy their

business. Sole Athletics surveyed Bueno Fitness members to gather for improvement. The goal is to provide most of the features that customers enjoyed at the old gym, and include them with a variety of new accommodations that members will love. For example, Sole Athletics will have cycling and Zumba classes, a nutrition bar, daycare center, and a parkour room. With a surplus of apartments, condominiums, and businesses nearby, there are many people looking for an athletic center that can offer several services located in one area. Sole Athletics is conveniently located to accommodate



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all types of people ranging those people with families to care for and business professionals who want to exercise on their lunch break. To accommodate for the shortage of parking in a downtown setting, Sole Athletics will provide customers with modern bike stations, and local transit accessibility. Having local transit stations around the area lets customers commute easily to and from the gym, maximizing foot traffic for Sole Athletics.

Long and Short Term Goals

Prior to Opening

- Design a website that successfully highlights the positive aspects of Sole Athletics.
- Acquire a loan of \$50,000 to fund a portion of the startup capital of the business.
- Begin a social media campaign on Twitter, Snapchat, Facebook, and Instagram that promotes fitness and increases awareness of the business.

First 6 Months

- Host an open house event.
- Expand marketing strategy to include advertising through effective radio and local television commercials.

36 Months

- If needed, hire a larger staff to accommodate for the growth of the business.
- Have the \$50,000 loan paid in full.

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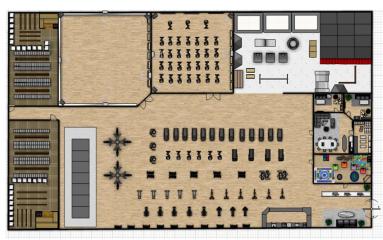


Operations and Management

Business Facilities Described

General Business Hours

The business facility will total 20,000 square feet, separated into six divisions. The divisions will be comprised of a free-weight room, a studio, a parkour room, an office space, a daycare, and a bike room. The athletic club will be accessible for members 24 hours a day via a keycard system. In addition, the business will be staffed from 8 am to 11pm on all days expect holidays. A variety of classes will run throughout the day.



Floor Plan

Free Weight Room

The free weight room will be comprised of 6,300 square feet of space, and will consist of treadmills, elliptical, stationary bicycles, and various machines designed to build strength and muscle endurance. Additionally, there will we be areas for benchpressing, squatting, and aerobic movements, along with available weights to add intensity. The room will also include a nutrition bar near the entrance where members are able to purchase nutrient dense food and drinks.

Studio

The 3,700 square foot studio will be used for classes such as Zumba and high intensity interval training (HIIT). Hardwood floors and mirrors will be featured in the room allowing clear visibility for members during exercises. Top of the line equipment will be used in the room for training and quality instructors.

Parkour Room

The 4,500 square foot Parkour Room will be composed of a number of elements, including a full-length course and various pieces of equipment. A spring floor will be featured in the room along with trampolines. Additionally, members will have the opportunity to participate in both classes and open gym.

Parkour Room



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The 1,500 square foot office area consists of three rooms. Mr. Mestas and Mr. Martinez will each have their own small office within the area. The office will also include a multipurpose area that can be used by employees for their breaks or as a conventional meeting room and a storage room that will be located within the area.



Office

Bicycle Room

This 2,700 square foot room will contain 31 stationary bicycles. The room will also have a speaker system so that music can be played during classes and all participants can hear the instructor's voice. The bicycle room will include a state of the art lighting system to create an exciting and energetic environment for members to enjoy.



Bicycle Room

Daycare

This 800 square foot room will be located near the office area. The room will be used as a daycare for children during the evening hours. The addition of a daycare will allow parents to have their child cared for while they are at the gym.



Daycare

Management Personnel Identified

The two co-owners and managers of *Sole Athletics* each have degrees that strongly tie to business. The owners possess degrees in accounting, and business management and administration respectively. With each owner having a minimum of five years of education paired with relevant experience, the management team is prepared and eager to open a business of their own.

Phillip Mestas

Mr. Mestas will be the company's financial manager. He has obtained experience with managing finances through a paid internship at Umpqua Bank. In this role he will have the task of signing payroll and paying the company's expenses. In addition, he will ensure the angel investor receives their respective share. Mr. Mestas will also be responsible for overseeing all of the marketing strategy for the business. His additional tasks will include creating and executing the marketing strategy as well as delegating employees to assist him.



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Antonio Martinez

Mr. Martinez will work as the operations manager for *Sole Athletics*, and will be responsible for overseeing the business so that it may operate efficiently. Having worked at LA Fitness while in college, Mr. Martinez understands the operations of an athletic center. He will be responsible for inventory, memberships, and creating schedules for the employees. Mr. Martinez will also serve as the business representative. In addition to managing the staff, Mr. Martinez will hire and train the employees.

Angel Investor

The angel investor will be able to determine the businesses direction without being required to have a demanding hands-on influence. They will be invited to attend major meetings and conference calls, and hold a vote in any major decisions the business makes. Finally, the investor will be able to schedule meetings at any time to suggest changes to any part of the business. The angel investor will be able to protect their investment without having a specific role that they must be responsible for on a daily basis.



Potential Angel Investor

Workforce Described

Current

Upon opening, Sole Athletics will have 14 employees including the two owners. Both of the owners will work full time and be responsible for their own specific duties including managing the businesses finances and managing the other employees. The remaining employees will be in charge of managing the free weight room, instructional classes, managing the nutrition bar, running the front desk, and working in the daycare, which will be open evenings for seven days a week. At least one of the instructors will have previous experience working at Soul Cycle, a currently trending business. This will provide a similar style of cycling class that is currently popular worldwide.

Projected

Sole Athletics anticipates increasing the number of employees over the next three years. The projected increase in employees is dependent upon the growth of the business. As revenue increases, and the business meets its growth targets, the owners anticipate hiring additional employees. A potential increase in staff is justified by the fact that it will allow classes to occur more frequently throughout the day. In addition, an increase in staff will enable the gym to be staffed for 24 hours a day. Until those growth targets are met, the gym will be accessible by members at night through a key card system. The benefits will increase member satisfaction as well as bring new customers to the business, who may not be able to attend earlier in the day.



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Target Market

Size

According to the International Health Racquet and Sports Club Association, 54.1 million Americans belonged to fitness centers in 2014. The average gym had a retention rate

of 72.4 percent. The fact that many Americans are concerned about their health is apparent. Because the average gym member lives less than 10 minutes away from their gym, a gym's location is a huge factor in determining its success. Portland is one of the top gym spending cities in the nation, making it a prime location for the business. In addition, the Pearl District has a population density that is 58 percent higher than that of Portland, and more than half of its residents make more than \$60,000 per



Sole Athletics Building

year. The businesses location allows it to reach a high number of potential clients. Because the top four companies only account for 13 percent of the industries revenue, it is significantly easier for a new business to enter this industry compared to most other industries. The low entry barriers are beneficial for *Sole Athletics* because it will allow the business to become competitive and profitable quickly.

Growth Potential

Sole Athletics will take business away from its competitors with its variety of high quality services. The strong client base will continue to grow due to a rising interest in fitness clubs. The International Health Racquet and Sports Club Association reported that the industries revenue increased 7.2% in 2014. In addition, they stated that the total amount of sport club members increased by 13 million from 2005 to 2014. The market continues to grow as a result of peoples increased interest in personal fitness. Residents in and around the Pearl District desire a place where they can go to train with likeminded people. Sole Athletics will meet the needs of consumers by providing additional surveys to gather further information about members' opinions.

Potential Needs

At the end of 2015, there were approximately 131.7 million people with a gym membership in the United States as opposed to the 50.2 million in 2010, making it apparent that the number of memberships has grown a substantial amount over the past five years. Sole Athletics will create and maintain adequate rates for memberships and services offered to customers. Individuals who request state of the art equipment

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and quality service need look no further. The business will offer reasonable prices and top class equipment.

According to Bustle, Portland receives 43 inches of rain on average a year, spread out to an average of 154 days. While it is expected that Portland has more rainfall, the truth is that the weather is typically dull, cloudy, and misty, making conditions unsatisfying. A convenient and affordable athletic center will substitute seamlessly for the dreary conditions in the Portland area by providing an indoor athletic center. With the membership rates increasing by a near five percent each year, *Sole Athletics* has potential to establish and develop a strong client base.



Portland Rain

Risks and Potential Adverse Results

The business has many potential risks such as a change in gym membership demographics. A report from the International Health Racquet and Sports Club Association said that in recent years, the most prominent age group with athletic club memberships shifted from the 18 to 34 year old age group to age groups both older and younger. Sole Athletics plans to account for this change by introducing classes that appeal to both generations. The yoga and fitness classes that occur in the studio will attract more mature clients, while the parkour room and unique cycling classes will grasp the attention of the young and middle age group.



Competitor

Another possible risk is the growth in popularity of at home fitness equipment. The National Sporting Goods Association reported that sales of exercise related equipment increased from 5.1 billion to 5.3 billion in just one year. To counteract this dilemma, Sole Athletics will provide clients with experiences non attainable from home such as: unique classes with professional fitness trainers, a well knit community of people dedicated to personal fitness, state of the art equipment, and customer service. A unique variety of amenities will ensure that the business builds and maintains a strong consumer base.





Financial Institution

Sole Athletics will use Umpqua Bank as its financial institution to best meet the needs of the business. Because the bank has a reputation for working with startup businesses, it is an excellent fit for Sole Athletics. Mr. Mestas has a positive past relationship working with the bank, ensuring a favorable reception. The company's ability to meet its goals will solidify and continue a strong relationship, for years to come.



Loan Request

Purpose of Loan and Amount Requested

Mr. Martinez, one of the co-owners of *Sole Athletics*, will individually invest \$300,000 into the company, but will need an extra loan to satisfy remaining obligatory costs. The possessors intend to acquire a loan from Umpqua Bank for \$50,000 combined with the \$425,000 from the potential angel investor, which will be used for the start-up of the business. Initial overhead costs encompass necessary equipment and hardware including gym equipment like treadmills and stair climbers, as well as items required in order to operate the business. With an interest rate of 5.2 percent, *Sole Athletics* will have the necessary capital to pay off the loan within 2.5 years with a regular monthly payment of about \$1,781. The total start-up capital will be \$775,000. This money will be used to pay the \$727,050 start-up cost, leaving *Sole Athletics* with \$47,950 or 6.2 percent in reserve.

Start-Up Expenses	
2 Month Utilities	1,000
Business	625,000
Front Desk Register	600
Legal Fees	6,000
Member-tag Scanners	1,200
Office Supplies	250
Parkour Equipment	15,000
Prepaid Insurance	6,000
Speaker System	12,000
Spring Floor	20,000
Stationary Bikes	40,000
Total Start-Up	\$727,050

Start-up Capital	
Angel Investor	425,000
Owners Investment	300,000
Loan Request	50,000
Start-up Capital	\$775,000

Reserve	
Total Capital	775,000
Less Total Start-Up	727,050
Equals Reserve	\$47,950



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Itemized Planned Expenditures

The table below is *Sole Athletics'* planned expenditures for the first six months of the business being open. It includes the projections for sales as well as operating expenses. The direct cost of goods includes the pricing for all materials used in the Nutrition Bar as well as merchandise offered year round, while the projected revenue includes all services provided. *Sole Athletics* expects a decline in cash balance between the first four months due to initial opening and seasonal factors.

First Six Month Itemized Planned Expenditures						
Sales	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Projected Sales	17,541	23,387	28,064	41,558	60,446	70,049
Direct Cost of Goods	3,200	3,200	3,300	3,750	4,501	3,430
Gross Margin	\$ 14,341	\$ 20,187	\$ 24,764	\$ 37,808	\$55,945	\$66,619
Operating Expenses	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Accounting	150	150	150	150	150	150
Adv ertising	100	200	400	650	700	650
Insurance	6,000			6,000		
Investment Repayment	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Loan Repayment	1,781	1,781	1,781	1,781	1,781	1,781
Maintenance	200	200	300	340	400	400
Miscellaneous	200	200	300	300	300	300
Office Expenses	50	50	100	100	200	200
Payroll	25,880	25,880	25,880	25,880	25,880	25,880
Payroll Tax	3,584	3,584	3,584	3,584	3,584	3,584
Utilities	3,065	3,250	3,465	3,856	3,965	3,945
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 42,210	\$ 36,495	\$ 37,160	\$ 43,841	\$38,160	\$38,090
Earnings Before Taxes	\$(27,869)	\$(16,308)	\$(12,396)	\$ (6,034)	\$17,785	\$28,529
Reconciliation	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Opening Cash Blanace	47,950	20,081	3,772	(8,624)	(14,658)	3,127
Total Rev enues	14,341	20,187	24,764	37,808	55,945	66,619
Total Disbursements	42,210	36,495	37,160	43,841	38,160	38,090
Net Cash Flow	(27,869)	(16,308)	(12,396)	(6,034)	17,785	28,529
Closing Cash Balance	\$ 20,081	\$ 3,772	\$ (8,624)	\$(14,658)	\$ 3,127	\$31,656

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The table below shows the projections for the last six months of *Sole Athletics*' first year. During the winter months the business is expected to increase in sales due to a higher demand for fitness indoors, and potential New Year's resolutions. The spring is another high for the business as customers will search for a source to get ready for the summer. The owners are projected to take a salary, but are prepared to go without salary if the business is not profitable. In addition, *Sole Athletics* is expected to break even after the eighth month of operation.

L	ast Six N	Nonth Ite	mized Pl	anned Ex	penditure	es
Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total
62,109	58,314	65,566	66,816	61,825	58,688	614,362
2,680	2,680	3,160	3,310	3,476	3,440	40,127
\$59,429	\$55,634	\$62,406	\$ 63,506	\$ 58,349	\$ 55,248	\$574,235
Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total
150	150	150	150	150	150	1,800
540	450	400	400	300	200	4,990
6,000			6,000			24,000
1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	14,400
1,781	1,781	1,781	1,781	1,781	1,781	21,372
340	300	250	200	200	200	3,330
300	250	200	200	200	200	2,950
150	150	100	100	50	50	1,300
25,880	25,880	25,880	25,880	25,880	25,880	310,560
3,584	3,584	3,584	3,584	3,584	3,584	43,013
3,856	3,810	3,545	3,250	3,065	3,060	42,132
\$43,781	\$37,555	\$37,090	\$ 42,745	\$ 36,410	\$ 36,305	\$469,847
\$15,647	\$18,078	\$25,316	\$ 20,760	\$ 21,939	\$ 18,942	\$104,389
Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total
31,656	47,304	65,382	90,698	111,458	133,397	531,543
59,429	55,634	62,406	63,506	58,349	55,248	574,235
43,781	37,555	37,090	42,745	36,410	36,305	469,847
15,647	18,078	25,316	20,760	21,939	18,942	104,389
\$47,304	\$65,382	\$90,698	\$111,458	\$133,397	\$152,339	\$ 635,931



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Pr	ojected Sales Forecast	

Fee Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr Ma	May Jun	Ju	Aug	Total
Number of Members 150 mem. 200 mem. 240 mem. 350 mem. 480 mem. 505 mem. 495 mem. 485 mem. 500	485 mem. 500 mem. 500 mem.	. 490 mem. 480 mem.	480 mem.	
Membership Fees 13,493 17,990 21,588 31,483 43,176 45,425 44,525 43,626 4	44,975 44,975	44,076	43,176	438,508
Daycare 1,349 1,799 2,159 3,778 8,635 9,085 6,234 4,363	6,746 7,196	7,052	6,045	64,440
Nutrition Bar 2,699 3,598 4,318 6,297 8,635 9,539 9,350 8,725	9,445 9,445	9,697	9,067	90,814
Mid Annual Fee 0 0 0 0 0 0 6,000 2,000 1,600	4,400 5,200	1,000	400	20,600
Total Projected Sales 17,541 23,387 28,064 41,558 60,446 70,049 62,109 58,314 65	65,566 66,816	61,825	58,688 614,362	614,36
This table represents the projected sales for each service that Sole Athletics will provide. The gym is predicted to begin with few members due to its name recognition and the fact that it will have recently a constant of the fact that it will have recently the fact that it will have recently the fact that it was the fact	etics will provide. The gym is I the fact that it will have recently	ride. The gr	ym is e recent	<

of their physical activity outside. decrease throughout the summer months; due in part to the fact that people will be transferring the majority drastically increase because people will be attempting to accomplish their New Year's resolutions, as well as prepare for a new start in the year. After January, membership is projected to stay consistent with a slight increase in the spring due to people's desire to get back into shape for summer. Membership will slightly



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Projections for Future Stability of Company

Sole Athletics is expected to be successful in the future due to dedication and perseverance of the co-owners. The projected sales in the businesses second year are much larger than the projected sales in the first year because the business will start the second year with a consistent client base rather than no previous members. Each following year the projected sales increase a conservative 2.5 percent. A conservative estimate is used to ensure that the actual sales are not significantly lower than actually anticipated.

Sales	1st 9/16-8/17	2nd 9/17-8/18	3rd 9/18-8/19	5th 9/20-8/21
Projected Sales	614,362	673,545	690,384	725,335
Direct Cost of Goods	40,127	42,010	42,578	43,378
Gross Margin	\$ 574,235	\$ 631,535	\$ 647,806	\$ 681,957
Operating Expenses	9/16-8/17	9/17-8/18	9/18-8/19	9/20-8/21
Accounting	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
Adv ertising	4,990	5,100	5,559	5,780
Insurance	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000
Investment Repayment	14,400	14,400	14,400	14,400
Loan Repayment	21,372	21,372	10,686	0
Maintenance	3,330	3,330	4,100	4,520
Miscellaneous	2,950	3,000	3,270	3,560
Office Expenses	1,300	1,300	1,417	1,600
Payroll	310,560	310,560	310,560	315,560
Payroll Tax	43,013	43,013	43,013	43,863
Utilities	42,132	42,132	42,132	42,132
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 469,847	\$ 470,007	\$ 460,937	\$ 457,215
Earnings Before Taxes	\$ 104,388	\$ 161,528	\$ 186,869	\$ 224,742



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