

THE STEPS HOW TO OPEN A SMALL BUSINESS IN THE U.S.



ACQUIRE FUNDING

During planning the business, an owner will need to find the source of the funds to support the business. There are many different sources of funds:

- o Self-funding
- o Selling equity
- o Bank loan

In the U.S., a business owner can get long-term state loans or the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) with low-interest rate loan if the owner is insufficiently capitalized. However, the best way to fund a business is self-funding because the company will not be in debt.



REGISTER FOR STATE AND LOCAL TAXES

Depending on the business structure in each state, a business owner will be required to register for state and local taxes. These will be provided by your state statute. Some state allows an owner to register via online or fill the paper through the mail. An owner could gain more information at www.irs.gov/businesses.



OPEN BANK ACCOUNT

Opening a bank account can serve many beneficial steps for any small business. Also, it provides to help a business owner to handle tax to the IRS. Moreover, when an owner has gotten an Employer Identification Number (EID), they could link to their business bank account.

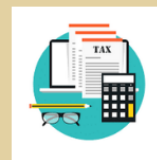
RESEARCH AND PLAN THE BUSINESS

Research and business plans are the foundation of the business to help you to analyze your idea and find an advantage in your business. Writing the business plan will guide the business owner to manage through each stage of the business.



3 WAYS TO REGISTER YOUR BUSINESS NAME

1. Entity Name: This way will protect the business's name at the state level.
2. Trademark: This way will prevent others in the same state in the identical product from using a name. Also, this is the best way for small businesses because it's not required by law.
3. Doing Business As (DBA) name: When a company does business under a different name, they have to register under DBA. However, there might be legally required based on your business structure.



OBTAIN BUSINESS LICENSES AND PERMITS

Depending on the type of business, a business owner will be required to apply for the business licenses and permits from the state to approve that your business is legitimate.



READY TO START