## **Business Plan**

(Company Name)

Date
Business Address
Phone
Email
Website
Social Media Platforms

Owners and Ownership structure (Structure: LLC, Inc., Sole Proprietor, etc. Also include ownership % if there is a split)
For each owner, list:

- Work Experience
- Education

General business description and brief history (short paragraph form)

Name and Phone number of two Personal References

- 1. Personal Reference 1
- 2. Personal Reference 2

Core Values (Reflects the character and culture of the business, owners and employees)

- 1. Core Value 1
- 2. Core Value 2

Vision Statement (Ultimate dream for the business, what does success look like?)

Example: Hill Ranch will successfully support three generations of pork and chicken producers growing highest quality yet affordable sources of protein with a strong customer following.

Mission Statement (What do you do and who is it for? Where, why and how do you do it?)

Example: Hill Ranch is a family operation sustainably producing the highest quality pork and chicken to be distributed direct to consumer from the farm and farmers markets.

Objectives or Goals (Specific measurable outcome for the business)
Note: Use the SMART format for creating this section. Make your Objective/Goals: Specific,
Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-Bound. Often this section has some short term and long-term Objectives/Goals.

- 1. Short Term Objective/Goal 1
- 2. Short Term Objective/Goal 2

3. Long Term Objective/Goal 1
 4. Long Term Objective/Goal 2
 SWOT Analysis
 Strengths (Internal positive attributes. Example: Owner experience in the livestock industry)
 1

The business plans to build on strengths by:

• Plan 1

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• Plan 2

Weaknesses (Internal challenges. Example: Lack of product diversity)

- 1
- 2
- 3

The business plans to resolve weaknesses by:

- *Plan 1*
- Plan 2

Opportunities (External prospects. Example: Vertical integration partnership with neighbor)

- 1
- 2
- 3

The business plans to capitalize on opportunities by:

- Plan 1
- Plan 2

Threats (External risks. Example: Flooded market)

- 1
- 2
- 3

The business plans to avoid threats by:

- Plan 1
- Plan 2

Marketing Plan (this can be a paragraph, bullet points or a combination)

- Describe Marketing Method (Direct to consumer, wholesale, commodity buyer, etc.)
- Product will be sold...
  - o In what geographical areas?
  - o To what target markets?
- Who are the competitors?
- What are the key marketplace risks (may see a repeat from the SWOT above)?
- What are the strategies used to mitigate risks?

## Financial Plan

• Summary (paragraph form)

## Attach:

- Balance Sheet (Provide description of highlights here)
- Income Statement (Provide description of highlights here)
- 12 month Cash Flow Budget (*Provide description of highlights here*)

Describe 5 year projection (paragraph or bullet point form. Could also include a spreadsheet with numbers if available)