Checklist: Start Your Business

Get ready for planning, financing and launching (or re-launching) your business.

TO DO	DESCRIPTION	WHO CAN HELP
Create a business plan, or review and update an existing one.	Whether your business is brand new, or you are returning to your business after a few years away, it's time to get that business plan updated. Make sure it includes new business goals, sales projections and current business costs.	Business Banker Business Advisor
Set up legal entity and website.	Work with your business advisor to decide whether it makes sense to set your business up as a corporation or other legal entity.	Business Advisor Attorney
Determine your financial needs.	Identify what you have and what you need to get started.	Business Banker Accountant
Explore new business loan options.	Start or expand your business with loans guaranteed by the Small Business Administration.	Business Banker www.SBA.gov
Check on loan deferral or interest rate restructuring as necessary.	Make sure you're up-to-date on any previous loans.	Business Banker Accountant
Review business credit report and/or your personal credit report.	Know where you stand both professionally and personally.	Business Credit Ratings: Dunn and Bradstreet: www.dnb.com Personal Credit Score*: https:// www.AnnualCreditReport.com *Some credit cards offer free credit reports as well. Check your credit card company's website to see if this service is available to you.