

# WHAT IS STRATEGY?

Strategy means leading your resources... ...organizing & prioritizing the short-term focus to reach the long-term.



# STRATEGIC PLANNING MEANS DIFFERENT THINGS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE.

### Articulated Plan = Having a Plan

• Mission, Vision, Goals, Actions, and KPIs for the next 24-36 months

### Strategic Differentiation = Having a Strategy

 A unique value proposition developed from a clear understanding of market position and customer needs.

### Organizational Engagement = Managing Strategically

• Everyone knows the strategic direction, understands their role and commits to accountability with an execution/governance process in place.

### Organizational Transformation = Leading Strategically

 Team that is driven by shared values, consistently driving decision making based on the agreed upon strategy with data, structure and systems to support the activity.



### GOOD STRATEGY IS CHARACTERIZED BY...

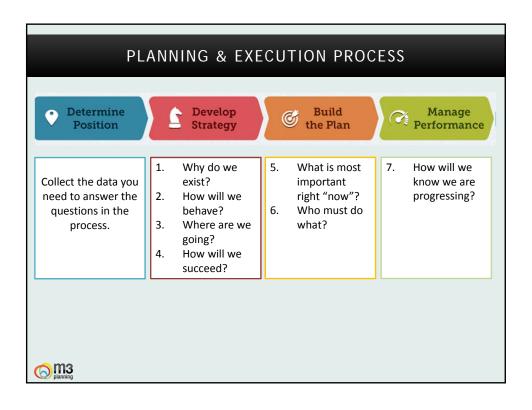
- A clear direction and reason for existing different than others
- Differentiated future what competitors won't copy
- An overall guiding approach that directs and constrains action without fully defining its containment like guardrails.
- Design of coherent, coordinated actions to address the future - focus on leverage points



# SEVEN QUESTIONS TO ANSWER

- 1. Why do we exist?
- 2. How will we behave?
- 3. Where are we going?
- 4. How will we succeed?
- 5. What is most important right "now"?
- 6. Who must do what?
- 7. How will we know we are progressing?





# TOP PITFALLS TO AVOID

Not ready

- No resource connectionNo "Shift"
- A meaningless plan

- Lack of engagementLack of perspectives
  - List of "to dos"

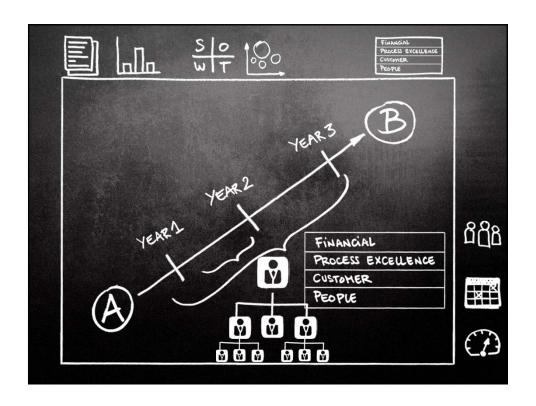
    - Think SMART
- No accountability
   An overwhelming plan



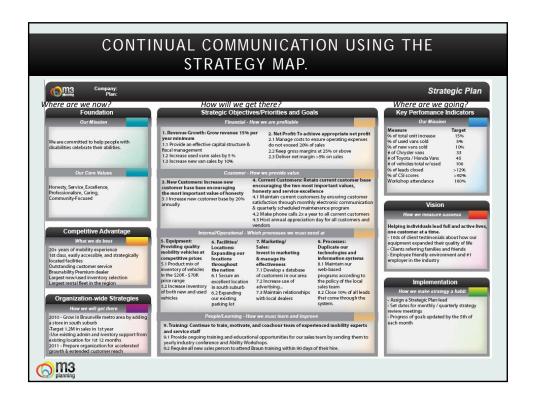
### GETTING STARTED = COMMIT TO A SYSTEM

- Determine how wide and how deep.
- Establish the planning team.
- Set the schedule.
- Gather data. Create a SWOT.
- Hold an offsite. Make decisions. Create the plan.
- Communicate the plan.
- Execute the plan.
- Schedule and hold first monthly progress review.







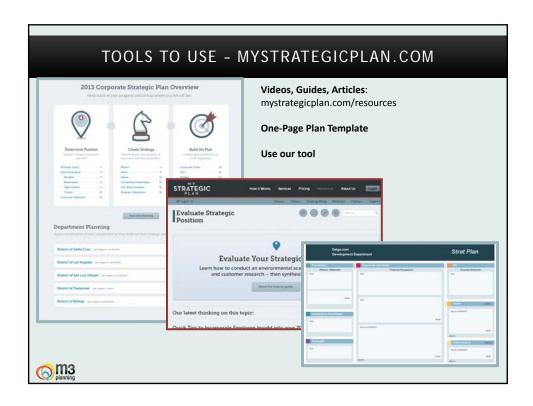


### BENEFITS OF USING MYSTRATEGICPLAN

- MSP makes planning and executing fluid
- Allows for dynamic planning by easily adapt and make revisions that flow throughout the system
- Eliminating various versions of your plan
- Ability to develop consistent reports
- Ability to provide people within your organization with the information they need to execute
- Improving accountability throughout the organization by tracking performance numbers.

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# YOUR SUCCESS CHECKLIST

- Ensure you have the right plan structure.
- Customize your plan to your organization.
- Take the BusinessReportCard and identify other assessment tools to help jump start your process.
- Identify and commit to your ideal schedule/timeline.
- Take advantage of all of our resources and trainings.

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