



# Acme Corporation

**Strategic Plan 2014-2016 As of June 5, 2015**

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Acme Corporation Technology is to create technology solutions for forward-thinking organizations

## VISION STATEMENT

To be known as the technology experts and resource center for small to medium-sized organizations.

This is where you type your description.

## CORE VALUES

1. Purpose & Growth - our foundation is built on our purpose and provides a place for our team's passion
2. Client Focus - a razor-sharp focus on our customer's growth is essential and the only way to succeed.
3. Integrity - to have honesty and respect for all individuals.
4. Leadership - to empower and inspire entrepreneurial leaders.
5. Professionalism - to be professional in our actions to our clients, partners and each other.
6. Excellence - to continually pursue knowledge and learn.
7. Community Service - to effectively help organizations to make an impact.
8. Fun - to have enjoyment and fulfillment in our work

## COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

1. Reoccurring revenue that is scalable
2. Assets and software products in place outside our services
3. Innovative in marrying business process with technology
4. Business Network - domestic and international
5. Patented Intellectual Property - interactive, integrated web-based

## STRATEGIC ISSUES

- What is the best method to meld the different cultures and build a strong team to most effectively deliver on mission?
- How do we build and incorporate consistency in our growth strategies, standardized operating procedures and communications in light of frequent changes in leadership?
- How do we best meet the growth operations and service demands in light of consistent budget cuts?

## ORGANIZATION-WIDE STRATEGIES

Organization-Wide Focus:

- 2013 - Lay the foundation for the organization.
- 2014 - Execute a market penetration strategy to increase top line.
- 2015 - Standardization of all processes.
- 2016 - Develop the infrastructure to prepare for high growth.

## CUSTOMER SEGMENTS

### Current Customers

Has an existing system in place. Needs minimal to maximum coaching through the package selection process and installation. Willing to hire someone. Willing to commit time, money and staff. Willing to be facilitated throughout the process.

### Program or Product

Describe how program or product are service people.

### New Customers

Needs a quick solution to focus and guide their business. Needs a tool to get started. Want a self-support product. Desire to move their business to the next level. Ready to commit time and money to their information systems. Do it-yourselfers. Not necessarily sole-proprietors. Needs to be easy, practical and simple. Linear use. Do it and it is done. More than 5 employees. Established business. Size of market: # of Small Businesses: 5.5 million# of Sole Proprietors: 17 million # of Women-Owned Business: 34% # of Businesses in our City: 7,000



# STRATEGIC PLAN 2014-2016 - AT-A-GLANCE

## FINANCIAL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES & ORGANIZATION GOALS

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### **1 Revenue Growth: Grow our revenue by 30% each year**

1.1 KPI - Generate sales of \$1.5 million by the end of the year.

### **2 Productivity Improvement: Maintain a 20% Net Profit Margin each year**

2.1 Maintain profitability with a budget allocation of 50% for business re-investment for product development.

2.2 Increase average billable hour factor. (Source: Time-tracking Program)

## CUSTOMER STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES & ORGANIZATION GOALS

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### **3 Professional Services: To be the professional partner of choice.**

3.1 Professional Service: Acquire 2 new consulting clients \$10,000+ per month.

### **4 Maintenance Contracts: To be viewed as the top technology resource in the western region.**

4.1 Maintenance Contracts: Acquire an average of 5 new maintenance contracts per month

4.2 Licensing: Acquire 1,500 total licenses by the end of the year.

4.3 Maintain 85% of our current customers.

## INTERNAL/OPERATIONAL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES & ORGANIZATION GOALS

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### **5 Innovation/Product Development: Continue to develop technology innovation.**

5.1 Launch integration with 2 other applications.

### **6 Overall Operations: Develop and maintain an infrastructure that allows for a virtual office and efficient overhead.**

6.1 Set up computers to be accessed from any destination.

6.2 Define all procedures and process in writing in order to support projected growth.

6.3 Blogs & Newsletters: Consistently timely relevant thought leadership that is developed, published and preserved.

## PEOPLE AND LEARNING STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES & ORGANIZATION GOALS

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### **7 Training: Actively help our team to develop and grow professional and personally by supporting a flexible work life, providing intellectually engaging work, and fair compensation.**

7.1 Train sales people in best practices

7.2 Develop better communication and presentation skills to increase ability to work with and assist clients.

### **8 Community Involvement: Develop and implement a corporate giving strategy that is in line with our competitive advantages.**

8.1 Manage the selection, contribution and customer communication of nonprofit donations. Target is 15% of revenue.

### **9 Long Term Strategic Objective (No assignment, far reaching and broad based, 3-5 years out) [\*\*Sample Goal Cascading\*\*]**

9.1 Organizational Goal (Corporate-wide, generally not assigned, 18-24 months) [\*\*Sample Goal Cascading\*\*]

# STRATEGIC PLAN 2014-2016 - DETAIL

## FINANCIAL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES & ORGANIZATION GOALS

### 1 Revenue Growth: Grow our revenue by 30% each year

**1.1 KPI - Generate sales of \$1.5 million by the end of the year. (Administration) (12/31/17)**

Measure:  
\$ in sales

EOY Target:  
\$1,500,000

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals   | Measure                    | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|--|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 1.1.1 Maintenance Contracts: Generate \$500,000 in maintenance contracts. (Marketing)                          | \$                         | \$500,000  | 01/01/13<br>12/31/15 |
| 1.1.2 Software Licenses: Generate \$300,000 in added software features by the end of each FY. (Administration) | \$ generated               | \$300,000  | 01/01/14<br>12/31/16 |
| 1.1.2.1 Secure 25 new license contracts weekly (Music, Children. (Top#5) (Nate Platt)                          | # of new license contracts | 25         | 01/01/14<br>12/31/15 |
| 1.1.2.1.1 Create new contract for weekly licenses. (Crystal O'Langdon)   | % complete                 | 100%       | 01/01/15<br>06/30/15 |
| 1.1.2.2 Develop 20 software programs to monitor licenses. (Grant Howell)                                       | # of software programs     | 20         | 01/01/14<br>12/31/15 |
| 1.1.3 Professional Consulting: Generate \$200,000 in web design consulting. #sample (Customer Service)         | \$- net income             | \$200,000  | 01/01/13<br>12/31/14 |
| 1.1.4 Increase sales conversion by 5% (Administration)   | Percent                    | 25%        | 01/01/14<br>12/31/15 |

### 2 Productivity Improvement: Maintain a 20% Net Profit Margin each year

**2.1 Maintain profitability with a budget allocation of 50% for business re-investment for product development. (Administration) (12/31/15)**

Measure:  
% for product development

EOY Target:  
50%

**2.2 Increase average billable hour factor. (Source: Time-tracking Program) (Administration) (12/31/15)**

Measure:  
\$ per billable hour.

EOY Target:  
\$220

**3 Professional Services: To be the professional partner of choice.**

**3.1 Professional Service: Acquire 2 new consulting clients \$10,000+ per month. (Administration) (12/31/15)**

Measure:  
# of new consulting clients

EOY Target:  
24

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals  | Measure                          | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|----------------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 3.1.1 Develop 2 new webinars a quarter to assist Sales Team. (Marketing)          | # of new webinars                | 4          | 07/01/15<br>12/31/15 |
| 3.1.1.1 Develop 15 minute "Basic Package" presentation. (Crystal O'Langdon)       | % Complete                       |            | 01/12/14<br>11/01/15 |
| 3.1.1.2 Review existing presentations format for consistency. (Crystal O'Langdon) | % Complete                       | 100%       | 01/12/13<br>03/22/14 |
| 3.1.1.3 Create a consistent slide template for Webinars. (Thomas Wright)          | % Complete of standard templates | 100%       | 07/13/15<br>12/31/15 |
| 3.1.2 Develop a new software program to track clients (IT Group)                  | % of program completed           | 100%       | 06/19/15<br>12/31/15 |

**4 Maintenance Contracts: To be viewed as the top technology resource in the western region.**

**4.1 Maintenance Contracts: Acquire an average of 5 new maintenance contracts per month (Marketing) (12/31/15)**

Measure:  
avg monthly # of new maintenance contracts

EOY Target:  
0

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals  | Measure               | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 4.1.1 Identify and maintain list of 50 target customers that could benefit from a maintenance contract. (Marketing) | # of target customers | 50         | 01/01/13<br>12/31/14 |

**4.2 Licensing: Acquire 1,500 total licenses by the end of the year. (Operations) (12/31/14)**

Measure:  
# of new licenses

EOY Target:  
1,500

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals  | Measure           | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|-------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 4.2.1 Grow average monthly licenses by 40% to 560 (IT Group)  | # Licenses        | 560        | 01/01/13<br>12/31/14 |
| 4.2.2 Grow new customer conversions by 100% to an average of 75/month. (IT Group)                     | # of new licenses | 75         | 01/01/13<br>12/31/14 |
| 4.2.3 Grow new customer trials by 25% to mark of 85 New Trials per month. (IT Group)                  | # of New Trials   | 85         | 01/01/13<br>12/31/14 |
| 4.2.4 Maintain or decrease the Churn Rate of Licenses which is currently at 8.01%. (Customer Service) | % Churn           | 8.01%      | 01/01/13<br>12/31/14 |
| 4.2.4.1 Secure coaching on Customer Success Manager for team. (Crystal O'Langdon)                     | % Complete        | 100%       | 12/09/13             |

**4.3 Maintain 85% of our current customers. (Administration) (12/31/15)**

Measure:  
% increase in customer base annually

EOY Target:  
85%

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals  | Measure                  | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|--------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 4.3.1 Implement marketing campaign to draw in new markets. (Marketing)  | % completed              | 100%       | 01/01/13<br>12/31/13 |
| 4.3.1.1 Research and identify 6 opportunities in new markets that company could expand into. (Joanne & Tracy) (JoAnne Rogers) | % complete               | 100%       | 01/20/13<br>06/30/15 |
| 4.3.1.1.1 Complete a competitive analysis study of our current and prospective markets. (Tom Jones)                           | % complete               | 100%       | 01/01/11<br>04/30/12 |
| 4.3.1.2 Develop campaign material for new markets. (Sales Director)   | % complete               | 100%       | 03/01/12<br>12/31/13 |
| 4.3.1.3 Create new web pages (rough draft) for the campaign promotion. (Randall Scion)  | % Complete               | 100%       | 06/01/12<br>05/31/13 |
| 4.3.2 Develop a competitive analysis survey for our market. (Administration)  | % Complete               | 100%       | 06/01/13<br>12/31/15 |
| 4.3.3 Increase sales close rate by 25% (Marketing)  | % increase in close rate | 70%        | 01/01/13<br>12/31/15 |



**5 Innovation/Product Development: Continue to develop technology innovation.****5.1 Launch integration with 2 other applications. (IT Group) (12/31/15)**Measure:  
Applications IntegratedEOY Target:  
100%

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals                     | Measure       | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|--|---------------|------------|----------------------|
| 5.1.1 Map out entire integration process (Web Specialists) | Map completed | 100%       | 01/01/14<br>06/30/15 |

**6 Overall Operations: Develop and maintain an infrastructure that allows for a virtual office and efficient overhead.****6.1 Set up computers to be accessed from any destination. (Administration) (12/31/15)**Measure:  
% complete of computer accessible  
from any destinationEOY Target:  
100%

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals   | Measure    | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|--|------------|------------|----------------------|
| 6.1.1 Purchase necessary software/hardware or make arrangements with an internet service provider for virtual access. (IT Group) | % complete | 100%       | 01/01/15             |

**6.2 Define all procedures and process in writing in order to support projected growth. (Administration) (12/31/15)**Measure:  
% of process in writing.

EOY Target:

**6.3 Blogs & Newsletters: Consistently timely relevant thought leadership that is developed, published and preserved. (Marketing) (12/31/13)**Measure:  
% completeEOY Target:  
100

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals                | Measure          | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 6.3.1 Write 1 blog post per week (Web Specialists)    | # of blog posts  | 52         | 01/01/13<br>12/31/13 |
| 6.3.2 Write 2 newsletters per month. (Administration) | # of newsletters | 2          | 01/01/13<br>12/31/13 |



**7 Training: Actively help our team to develop and grow professional and personally by supporting a flexible work life, providing intellectually engaging work, and fair compensation.**

- 7.1 Train sales people in best practices (Marketing) (11/30/15) Measure: actual attendance per year by all 12 managers  
EOY Target: 12
- 7.2 Develop better communication and presentation skills to increase ability to work with and assist clients. (Customer Service) (12/31/13) Measure: % complete in communication/presentation skills  
EOY Target: 100%

**8 Community Involvement: Develop and implement a corporate giving strategy that is in line with our competitive advantages.**

- 8.1 Manage the selection, contribution and customer communication of nonprofit donations. Target is 15% of revenue. (Administration) (12/31/15) Measure: % of license revenue  
EOY Target: 15%

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals  | Measure    | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|------------|------------|----------------------|
| 8.1.1 Determine budget for Community Involvement party. (Customer Service)                                | % Complete | 100%       | 01/01/13<br>05/31/15 |
| 8.1.1.1 Solicit ideas for theme, entertainment, catering for Community Involvement party. (Thomas Wright) | % Complete | 100%       | 01/01/15<br>07/31/15 |

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- 9.1 Organizational Goal (Corporate-wide, generally not assigned, 18-24 months) [\*\*Sample Goal Cascading\*\*] (Operations) (12/31/14) Measure: % complete  
EOY Target: 100%

| Department Goals and Team Member Goals  | Measure    | EOY Target | Start Date, End Date |
|---|------------|------------|----------------------|
| 9.1.1 Department Goal [Corporate Action Item] (Assigned to the Department responsible for seeing that the goal and its actions are completed, 12-18 months) | \$         | \$5,000    | 01/01/13<br>09/01/14 |
| 9.1.1.1 Team Member Goal (or Dept Actions) (Assigned to Team Member responsible for seeing this goal completed, 6-12 months)                                | % Complete | 100%       | 01/01/13<br>06/30/14 |
| 9.1.1.1.1 Team Member Action (Assigned to the Team Member responsible for seeing this action completed, short term items only (30, 60, 90 days))            | % Complete | 100%       | 03/01/13<br>05/31/13 |

## ***PLAN IMPLEMENTATION***

Appoint a strategic plan manager  
Hold people accountable (now that they are able)  
Put in place an incentive compensation plan  
Coach for achievement  
Empower managers  
Hold effective strategy meetings - first Mondays  
Hold annual retreat - second week in December

## APPENDIX A: STRATEGIC PLANNING TERMS

| Strategic Planning Term                          | Definition   |
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| <b>Core Values/Guiding Principles</b>            | How people want to behave with each other in the organization. Value statements describe actions that are the living enactment of the fundamental values held by most individuals within the organization. What are our guiding principles, as a group, to adhere to no matter what?   |
| <b>Core Purpose/Mission Statement</b>            | The organization's core purpose. Why do we exist?  |
| <b>Vision Statement (5+ years)</b>               | Where you are headed — your future state — your Big, Hairy, Audacious Goal. Where are we going?  |
| <b>Competitive Advantages</b>                    | A characteristic(s) of an organization that allows it to meet their customer's need(s) better than their competition can. What are we best at in our market?   |
| <b>Organization-Wide Strategies</b>              | Your strategies are the general methods you intend to use to reach your vision. A strategy is like an umbrella. It is a general statement(s) that guides and covers a set of activities. You can develop strategies for your whole organization, a department, a specific set of activities, or a guiding statement for a year. No matter what the level, a strategy answers the question "how." |
| <b>Long-Term Strategic Objectives (3+ years)</b> | Long-term, broad, continuous statements that address all areas of your organization. If you have a five-year vision, these would be three- to four-year intermediate guideposts on the way there. What must we focus on to achieve our vision?   |
| <b>Short-Term Items (1 year)</b>                 | Short-term items that convert the Strategic Objectives into specific performance targets. Effective goals clearly state what, when, who and are specifically measurable — they are Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Responsible person, time bound (SMART). What must we do to achieve our long-term Strategic Objectives?  |
| <b>Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)</b>         | Metric and non-metric measurements essential to the completion of an organization's goals. Each organization narrows the possible list down to a manageable group of KPIs that make the most difference to performance. KPIs are linked to goals. How will we know we have achieved our goals?   |