New Year, New Goals: Planning Checklist for Associations



SET YOUR ASSOCIATION UP FOR SUCCESS WITH THIS 2025 GUIDE!



Strategic Planning & Goal Setting

- Review Mission and Vision Alignment
 Assess if current initiatives align with your
 association's core purpose and future direction
- Set SMART Goals for the Year
 Define specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound objectives for each department
- Create a Performance Metrics Dashboard
 Establish KPIs and reporting mechanisms to track
 progress throughout the year



Member Experience Enhancement

- Conduct Member Needs Assessment
 Survey members to understand evolving needs
 and expectations for the coming year
- Update Member Journey Map Review and optimize touchpoints across the entire member lifecycle
- Plan Engagement Initiatives

 Design programs that increase member participation and value perception



Digital Transformation

- Evaluate Current Technology Stack
 Assess effectiveness of existing systems and identify gaps or improvement opportunities
- Plan Data Integration Strategy
 Ensure all systems work together seamlessly to provide a unified member experience
- O Review and update data protection measures and compliance procedures



Data & Analytics

- Clean and Organize Member Data
 Ensure member database is accurate, complete,
 and properly segmented
- Set Up Automated Reports
 Create regular reporting schedules for key metrics and insights
- Plan Data-Driven Initiatives Identify opportunities to use data analytics for improved decision-making



Communication Strategy

- Review Communication Channels

 Evaluate effectiveness of current communication methods and platforms
- Create Content Calendar
 Plan regular, valuable content that addresses
 member needs and interests
- Set Up Feedback Loops
 Establish mechanisms for collecting and acting on member feedback



Industry Trends & Innovation

- Research Industry Developments
 Stay informed about emerging trends and their potential impact on your association
- Plan Innovation Initiatives
 Identify opportunities to implement new technologies or processes
- Allocate Resources for Growth
 Budget for technological improvements and strategic initiatives



