









Entrepreneurship planning

Help for buying, owning or building a business

Buying a business with an established customer base, reputation and employees can be a successful formula for running a business. Growth Partnership for Ashtabula County can help young entrepreneurs develop the skills they need to travel the path to business ownership.

Simple questions to consider

There is no single best way to buy or start a business. With your tax and legal advisors, Growth Partnership helps you evaluate approaches based on your goals. The following are five simple questions to guide your thinking.

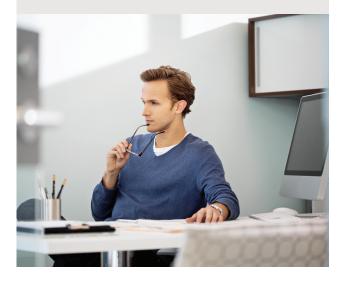
- Why are you doing this? What are your personal objectives?
- What type of business are you interested in and what experience do you have in that particular business?
- Is there a positive market outlook for this type of business?
- Can you afford to buy a business or will you need a partner?
- When do you want to take ownership or start the business?

How do I get started?

We invite you to gather the information below and contact Growth Partnership to begin a confidential conversation. Or if you prefer, contact us to set up an appointment and we'll review your information in person to help you get started.

- □ Have you ever tried to start your own business in the past?
- □ Have you consulted an attorney?
- Do you need help with:
 - $\hfill\square$ Financing; access to small business loans
 - lacksquare Cash flow planning
 - 🗅 Risk management, insurance
 - Investment planning

We have a relationship with a team of Ashtabula County specialists that help connect entrepreneurs who wish to buy an existing business with business owners looking to see their businesses continue on in the hands of a new owner.



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