

# Turn Workforce Pressures Into Profitable Opportunities

#### About Me



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My passion is spending time with my family hunting, hiking, camping, and all things outdoors.



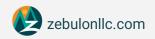






My mission is to provide outfitters with high & mid-level services so you can worry less about business and finances and enjoy doing what you love with those you love most.







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#### Introduction

- Top issues affecting outfitters nationwide
- Case study from one of you

#### **Meat & Potatoes**

- Face the beast
- Determine your "Salary Cap"
- Incentive plan
- Much more...

# INTRODUCTION

The workforce pressures affecting outfitters

### Workforce Pressures Affecting Outfitters





# INTRODUCTION

Case study from one of you



# American Adventure Expeditions

Whitewater rafting in Buena Vista, CO









# The pressures

State mandated changes



High living costs





# Their big-vision dreams

Personal growth culture

Above market wages

Two days per week time off





### The off-season initiatives

Discover

Define

**Project** 

Send it...!





#### The results

Higher company-wide wages
Happier employees & guides
End-of-season guide retention
Team-wide ownership in business
Huge manager bonus
Additional net profit



# The "secret shopper"



My bachelor party experience...

Heard it from on of the guides!

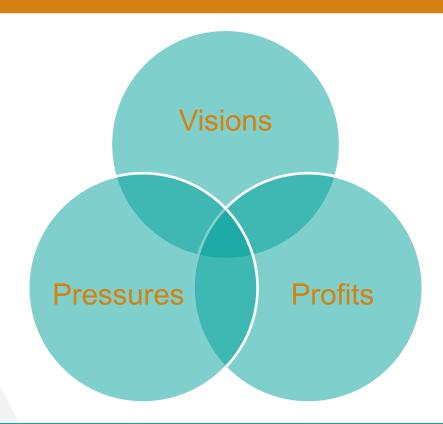
Coolest thing every...

# Meat & Potatoes

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### Your Journey To Leadership







#### **Profits**

- Calculate your 'Salary Cap'
- + \$Revenue
- \$Target Profits
- \$Non-Payroll Expenses
- = \$Available For Wages



2021 Revenue	1,289,725
2021 Net Profit	(219,253)
2021 Non-Payroll Expenses	(361,123)
2021 Wages	709,349

2022 Revenue (5% increase)	1,354,211
2022 Net Profit (Target)	(225,000)
2022 Non-Payroll Expenses	(397,000)
2022 Available For Wages	732,211



2021 Owner Pay	95,000
2021 Fixed Wages	124,879
2021 Variable Wages	489,470
2021 Total Wages	709,349
# Pax	10,414
Variable Wages Per PAX	47
# Trips	2,083
Variable Wages Per Trip	235



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2022 Net Profit (Target)	(225,000)
2022 Non-Payroll Expenses	(397,000)
2022 Available For Wages	732,211
Needed Increase in Revenue	127,894
<b>Current Avg Customer Spend</b>	118
Needed Avg Customer Spend	129

2022 Owner Pay (Target)	125,000
2022 Fixed Wages (Fixed Raises)	153,157
2022 Variable Wages	581,949
2022 Total Wages	860,106
# Pax (10% increase)	11,456
Variable Wagers Per PAX (Raise)	75
# Trips (10% increase)	2,291
Variable Wagers Per Trip (Raise)	254



2022 Owner Pay (Target)	125,000
2022 Fixed Wages (Fixed Raises)	153,157
2022 Variable Wages	581,949
2022 Total Wages	860,106
2022 Revenues (\$129 Avg Spend)	1,482,678
2022 Net Profits (Target)	(225,000)
2022 Non-Payroll Expenses	(397,000)
2022 Available For Wages	860,678



# A Change In Profits...

Requires a change in behavior.



### Why An Incentive Plan?

- Retain current employees.
- Goes beyond hourly exchange.
- Designed around owner's desired outcomes.
- Awards good behavior.







#### **Best practices...**

- Clearly define expectations and pay outs.
- Use a tiered system.



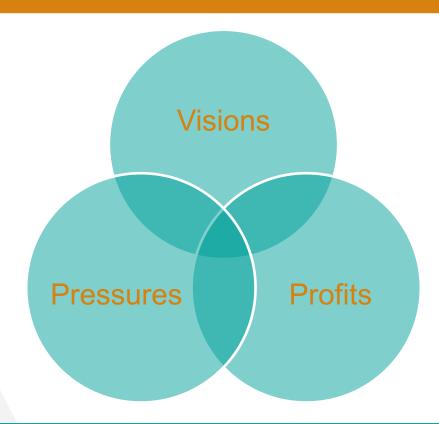
			Exceed Expectations	
Bonus Amount	<b>\$0</b>	\$500 per person	<b>\$2,500</b> per person	<b>\$7,000</b> per person



#### Final thoughts...

- Don't get caught in the trap!
- Equal or greater exchange: Know your audience.
- Celebrate wins often:Give recognition where it's due.







# Templates & Resources

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# THANKS!

Any questions?

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