

# **Budgeting for 2024**

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### **Upcoming Sessions**

•11/16 at 12pm ET | DEI Committee Webinar – Learn More about the DEI Scholarship Program to Catersource hosted by Suzi Shands, Mintahoe Catering and KT McKalla, Dutzel's Catering & Events

### **UPCOMING SESSIONS**

•11/29 at 3pm ET | Executive Chef Roundtable hosted by Jay Varga, The JDK Group and Chris Towne, Partyman Catering

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### TASKS FOR TODAY

- Expectations for inflation, supply chain and direct cost increases
- Taking sales forecasts and creating the rest of the company budget
- How to create a fluid budget and share that with your management team and beyond
- What are your critical numbers and what to watch weekly and monthly

Expectations for inflation, supply chain and direct cost increases



- GDP grew 2.1% in the 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr and 2.2% in the 2<sup>nd</sup>, outlook for 2023 was 1.1%
- Consumer spending was actually up in September by 0.7% which was 0.3% higher than inflation.
- The October jobs report confirmed that the labor force shrunk by 201,000. Job openings grew by 56,000 from August to September. There are 3.2 million more job openings than unemployed workers.
- Inflation will most likely end the year around 4.3% with a potential drop in January and February.



- Health plans for employers could jump up as much at 8-15%. With most employers taking on more of the burden to attract workers
- Gasoline and Diesel prices will continue to be 5-10% higher than 2023 levels. The national average could stabilize around \$3.80 for regular and \$4.30 for diesel.
   Natural Gas may provide the only relief and trend downward.
- Electricity will continue to carry a 3-5% or higher increase
- Shipping rates could be looking to fall around 33% as excess capacity continues

- Interest rates may have seen their last increase for the next few Fed meetings. Rate cutes wouldn't take place before the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2024. Lines of credit are hovering around 8.5% and corporate borrowing can start at 12%.
- Insurance rates will increase by 5-10% and those in natural catastrophe areas will see
   15% as the norm
- Warehouse rents are looking to increase by 5-10% as record low vacancies are fueled by ecommerce sellers stockpiling inventories



### **FOOD PRICE OUTLOOK**







### Did you do a 2023 budget?

- 51.39% responded Yes
- 48.61% responded No
- 7 companies responded that they have or will hit their goal as of today. Good luck to those that are close.



- How many times this year did you increase your food pricing?
  - 22 companies responded 1 time
  - 19 companies responded 2 times
  - 2 companies responded 3 times
  - 5 companies responded 4+ times

 Some companies adjust pricing event by event and others offer "Market Pricing"



- What is your common markup for staff?
  - 33% is the average mark up
  - 50% should be your goal
  - In markets where companies rely on heavy temporary labor, those markups should be adjusted based on surge pricing.



- What are you event gross profit goals?
  - Only 7 respondents here, which brings up a good point of conversation.
  - 55%
  - **62%**
  - 40%
  - 30%
  - 10%
  - 55%
  - Typical Gross Profit numbers are factored on all your costs of good related to the creation of that event.
  - No company expenses or overhead are factored.



SALES TO COMPANY FORECAST

Taking sales forecasts and creating the rest of the company budget



# CATERING CHRONICLES VOLUME #2

### Sales Projections

### Direct Costs (Anything related to events)

- Food Purchases
- Offsite Labor
- Rentals
- Van and Delivery Expenses
- Event Supplies and Equipment
- Beverages
- Uniforms and Laundry
- Direct Labor
  - Kitchen
  - Packing and WH
  - Payroll Taxes



# DIRECT COSTS/COSTS OF DOING BUSINESS

### **Typical Industry Ranges:**

- •Warehouse Labor, Hourly Employees 3 to 5%
- •Kitchen Labor, Hourly Employees 12 to 20%
- Event Labor, Hourly Employees 50%
- •Food Cost 18 to 25%
- •Soft Bev Cost 50%
- •Liquor 35%
- •Disposables 1 to 3%
- •Vendors 35%
- Venues/Third Party Commissions 10 to 15%
- •Service Charge 50 to 100%
- Payroll Taxes for Hourly Employees
- •Workers Compensation for Hourly CA CATERER EMPloyees

# CATERING CHRONICLES VOLUME #2

Sales Projections

-Minus Direct Costs (40-50%)

Gross Profit (60-50%)

- Minus Expenses (40-50%)

Net Profit (5-15%)



## VARIOUS WAYS TO COME UP WITH BUDGET NUMBERS

**COST OF SALES GOAL** 

What are my cost of sales?

3 salespeople with salary and commissions - \$450,000

Cost of sales goal of 10%

Sales Budget Goals \$4,500,000



# VARIOUS WAYS TO COME UP WITH BUDGET NUMBERS

**BREAK EVEN AND EXPENSES** 

# What are my monthly expenses? (Below the line and do not include any Cost of Goods items)

\$100,000 monthly

Breakeven at 50% Gross Profit Margin, 2x's monthly expenses \$200,000 in monthly sales

Sales Budget Goals \$2,400,000



# EXPENSES/OVERHEAD/BELOW THE LINE

### **Expenses – Typical Industry Standards**

- •Rent 10%
- •Sales Expenses 1 to 2%
  - Meals & Entertainment
  - Transportation
  - Travel
  - Education
  - Dues and Subscriptions
  - Client Gifts
- •Marketing Labor and Expenses 1 to 3%
  - Inhouse and/or Outsourced Services
  - Advertising & Promotions
  - Open Houses
  - Sponsorships
  - Print Media
  - Social Media
- •Salaries 30 to 40%
  - Sales
  - Administrative
  - Executive Chef
  - Operations Director
  - Finance IT and Accounting



# EXPENSES/OVERHEAD/BELOW THE LINE

# The following line items do not have industry standards but are common to all companies:

- Employee Health
- Utilities/Telephone/Data Processing
- Building Maintenance
- Equipment Maintenance
- Vehicle Maintenance
- Gas/Mileage
- Human Resources/Training
- Uniforms
- Audit/Legal
- Property Taxes
- Bank Charges
- Interest Income/Expense
- Depreciation



# VARIOUS WAYS TO COME UP WITH BUDGET NUMBERS

**BREAK EVEN AND EXPENSES** 

### Sales Budget Goals - \$2,400,000

Gross Profit Margin – 50%

\$1,200,000 to cover expenses

\$100,000/mo in below the line expenses

\$1,200,000 expenses

Net Income/Loss = \$0



# VARIOUS WAYS TO COME UP WITH BUDGET NUMBERS

**EXPENSES** 

**Expenses for the last 12 months** 

\$500,000 annual total

**Expense % to Revenue is 55%** 

\$500,000 / .55 = \$909,090 in sales revenue

Any good CFO would tell you to round that to \$1,000,000 as a minimum goal



KPIs	Metrics
All KPIs are Metrics	All Metrics are not KPIs
<ul> <li>KPIs give a holistic view of the performance of different functions in your organization</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Metrics give you a picture of how different individual activities rolled out within the functions are progressing</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>KPIs tell you where exactly your teams stand with respect to the overall business goals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Individual Metrics do not give any insights on their own</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Examples: Pre-sales KPIs, Email Marketing KPIs, Customer Success KPIs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Examples: Open Rate,</li> <li>Conversations in the last 2 weeks,</li> <li>Deals lost last quarter</li> </ul>

### MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

# Are you reviewing monthly financial statements?

- Preliminary on the 10<sup>th</sup>
- Final by the 20<sup>th</sup>
- This timing gives you the ability to adjust live



WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP AN EYE ON?

What are your critical numbers and what to watch weekly and monthly?



# WHEN IS IT IMPORTANT TO REVIEW A CRITICAL NUMBER

- Sales closing and pacing (Weekly)
- 2. Post Event Analysis (Weekly)
- 3. Kitchen Labor (Monthly/Payroll)
- 4. Warehouse Labor(Monthly/Payroll)
- 5. Food Costs (Monthly)
- 6. Beverage Costs (Monthly)
- 7. Revenue to Payroll (Payroll)
- 8. Event Labor Revenue to Costs (Monthly)
- 9. Admin/Overhead Labor Cost to Revenue (Monthly)

# WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP AN EYE ON?

### **Some examples:**

- 1. Food Cost vs Food Revenue
- 2. Beverage Cost vs Beverage Revenue
- 3. F&B Cost vs Total F&B Revenue
- 4. Event Labor Cost vs Event Staff Revenue
- Warehouse/Operations Cost vs Total Revenue
- 6. In House Costs (Food, Beverage, Staff) vs Total Revenue
- 7. 3<sup>rd</sup> party/Vendor Revenue vs MISC Revenue
- 8. Delivery/Set Up Costs vs Delivery/Set Up Revenue
- 9. Admin Fee vs Commissions
- 10. Staff Cost & Service Charge vs Staff Revenue & Service Charge Revenue





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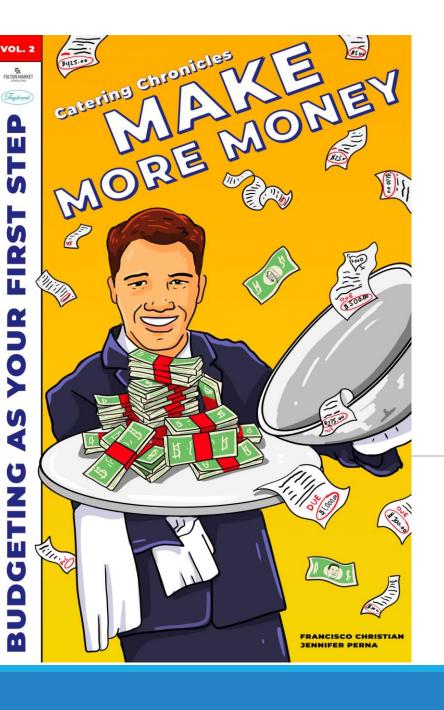
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