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# 2023 PLANNING PRIORITIES FROM COMMUNITY BANKING



#### STRATEGIC PLANNING PRIORITIES

Looking through a full year of strategic planning meetings, a number of key development categories and strategic initiatives emerged consistently for community banks. Your strategic plan might reflect some of these topics.

## **Relationship Growth**

Retention of existing relationships

Relationship expansion with current customers

Development of the relationship-building skills of customer facing employees

Increase employee product knowledge and referrals

Improve non-interest income performance

Leverage PPP loan relationships and application information

Reinforce local banking and community connections

Enhance focus on low-cost core deposit growth

## **Customer Experience Management (CXM)**

Reinforce customer service standards and skills development Investigate customer satisfaction levels and loyalty Evaluate the user experience (UX) with digital channels Investigate and enhance experiences across all delivery channels Consistent delivery of the bank's desired customer experience

#### **Organizational Design and Development**

Succession planning across the entire organization
Enhance employee retention
Improve active employee recruitment
Enhance staff and project management for all managers
Analysis of the organization's ability to support continuous growth

#### **Brand Management**

Improve employee engagement and loyalty
Increase brand awareness with customers and targeted prospects
Consistent use of the organization's visual identification

#### **Operations, Information and Technology Management**

Assessment of core system capacity to support all corporate objectives Enhance internal utilization of current technology and digital services Cyber security evaluations and ongoing management Effective use of business analytics and customer information Deliver custom solutions to customers using technology Product streamlining and new product development Optimization of virtual communications – internal and external usage Continuous improvements in processes, procedures, and workflows

"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goals."

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