

How to use the Ownership Model Canvas



This canvas helps you (re-)align your business success with your key stakeholders.

Here's how to create your draft ownership model:

1. **Make a copy of these slides**

- Under File, select “Make a copy > Entire presentation”

2. **Follow the numbers to fill in your canvas**

- State your purpose and then define member-owners and non-owner stakeholders. Your member-owners are often stakeholders who are central to achieving success. For multiple ownership classes, make multiple canvases.
- Build long-term value for member-owners by developing links between blocks: first Benefits ⇌ Responsibilities, then Guidance ⇌ Governance Rights, then Investments ⇌ Financial Rights. Iterate until your draft feels right.

3. **Apply what you learn**

- Discuss your draft with key stakeholders to improve your business operations.
- You may also want to consult a lawyer who can help you develop your bylaws, restructure your equity, or create new structures like a purpose trust.

Need help? Want to share your ideas? Email us at hello@start.coop!

1. Purpose

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2. Stakeholders

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Who are your non-owner stakeholders?

3. Benefits

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4. Responsibilities

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6. Governance Rights

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7. Financial Rights

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5. Guidance

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Ampled's mission is to make music more equitable for artists and to operate transparently and ethically

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Who are your member-owners, those with long-term interests?

- Artists
- Workers

Who are your non-owner stakeholders?

- Community members

3. Benefits

What benefits do your member-owners get?

- Ability to submit and decide on proposals
- A better overall value proposition
- Revenue share

4. Responsibilities

What financial and non-financial (e.g., labor) inputs are required for member-owners?

- Artists bring 10+ supporters to the platform
- Workers contribute labor totaling 80 hours or 6 months, whichever comes first
- Community members chip in \$3+ per month

6. Governance Rights

Which key decisions are made, through which processes, and by which stakeholders?

Decisions:

- Elect board (all members)
- Plan (all members)
- Bylaw changes (all)
- Day-to-day ops (CEO + staff)

Meetings:

- Twice/week - tech team
- Every other month - all
- Every month - open
- Every Q - finance team

7. Financial Rights

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- 85% to workers, %15 to artists
- Based on combination of time and labor contributed, TBD
- Artists can choose to contribute 7, 10, or 13% back to Ampled to cover operating expenses

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- Advisors; informal group giving advice
- Board of Directors: 3 workers + 3 artists + 3 community members = 9 seats

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- Appx. \$100k over the first 12 months of operations; so far in 2021, \$0
 - All labor comes from Worker-Owners; we track contributions in timebank
 - In 2020 we get \$1k from community members; we're sustainable in 2021/2022