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# Brains over brawn? Challenges of a business in South Philadelphia in Covid-19 Times

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#### **Abstract:**

Starting a business in South Philadelphia can be a daunting task, but with the right resources and support, it can be a very rewarding experience. This article will outline the process of starting a business in South Philadelphia, as well as the benefits and challenges of doing so. South Philadelphia is home to a thriving business community, with many businesses that have been successful for generations. The supportive environment for businesses in South Philadelphia is one of the main reasons why people choose to start their businesses here. There are also a wealth of resources available for businesses in South Philadelphia, from incubators and accelerators to funding programs.

However, there are also some challenges associated with starting a business in South Philadelphia. The high costs of doing business in the city can be a barrier for some entrepreneurs. Additionally, the competitive business environment can make it difficult to stand out from the crowd. And finally, the lack of available talent can make it challenging to find the right employees for your business.

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## The process of starting a business in South Philadelphia.

As you begin the process of starting a business in South Philadelphia, one of the most important decisions you will make is choosing the right location for your business. There are many factors to consider when making this decision, including the type of business you are starting, your budget, and your target market.

One of the most important factors to consider when choosing a location for your business is the type of business you are starting. For example, if you are starting a retail business, you will want to choose a location that is convenient for your customers and has high foot traffic. If you are starting a manufacturing or industrial business, on the other hand, you will want to choose a location that has access to transportation and utilities.

Your budget is another important factor to consider when choosing a location for your business. Commercial real estate prices in South Philadelphia can vary widely depending on the neighborhood and type of property. You will need to carefully consider your budget when making your decision.

Finally, you will also need to think about your target market when choosing a location for your business. If you are targeting local customers, it is important to choose a location that is convenient for them. If you are targeting customers from outside of the area, on the other hand, you will want to choose a location that is easy to reach by car or public transportation.

Once you have considered all of these factors, you will be ready to choose the perfect location for your new business in South Philadelphia! The benefits of starting a business in South Philadelphia. South Philadelphia is home to a thriving business community, with a variety of businesses ranging from small businesses to large corporations. This vibrant business community provides a great environment for starting a new business.

There are plenty of opportunities to network and collaborate with other businesses in the area. Additionally, the local chamber of commerce and other business organizations offer a variety of resources and support for businesses in the area.

### The supportive environment for businesses in South Philadelphia.

The city of Philadelphia is very supportive of businesses, offering a variety of resources and programs to help businesses grow and succeed. The city offers tax incentives, loans, and grants to help businesses get started and expand. Additionally, there are many incubators and accelerators in the city that provide resources and support for startups.

#### The abundance of resources for businesses in South Philadelphia.

South Philadelphia is home to many different resources that can be helpful for starting a new business. There are coworking spaces, incubators, accelerators, funding sources, mentors, and more all available in the area. This wealth of resources makes South Philadelphia a great place to start a new business.

### The challenges of starting a business in South Philadelphia.

The cost of rent, labor, and materials can be prohibitively high in South Philadelphia. For example, a small retail space in Center City might cost \$3,000 per month, while a similar space in South Philadelphia could cost \$1,500 per month. The high costs of doing business in South Philadelphia can make it difficult for new businesses to getstarted and can also put existing businesses at a competitive disadvantage.

#### The competitive business environment in South Philadelphia.

The competition for customers can be fierce in South Philadelphia. With so many businesses vying for attention, it can be difficult to stand out from the crowd. Additionally, the presence of large national retailers and chain stores can make it difficult for local businesses to compete on price and selection. The lack of available talent in South Philadelphia.

The pool of available talent is often smaller in South Philadelphia than in other parts of the city. This can make it difficult to find qualified employees for your business. Additionally, the lack of available talent can drive up wages, making it even more expensive to do business in South Philadelphia.

#### Conclusion

Starting a business in South Philadelphia can be a challenge, but it comes with many benefits. The thriving business community, supportive environment, and abundance of resources make it an ideal place to start a business. However, the high costs of doing business and competitive environment can be difficult to navigate. If you're considering starting a business in South Philadelphia, it's important to do your research and understand the challenges you may face. With the right planning and support, you can overcome these challenges and find success in South Philadelphia.

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