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How to Launch a Successful Work-From-Home Career

Working from home is a dream job for many people, including veterans, because of the flexibility and work-life balance it provides. There are countless opportunities for remote work in just about every field. However, launching a work-from-home career or starting your own home-based business still takes a lot of effort. Below, find out what options are out there and discover how to set yourself up for success.

Work-From-Home Opportunities

If you're interested in remote work, one of the biggest decisions you'll have to make is whether to become self-employed or work for an existing company. These are a few options you can weigh.

- If you want to test the waters, consider getting a part-time gig to [boost your income](#).
- There are many types of [careers](#) you can do full-time from the comfort of home, too.
- Many [companies](#) have expanded their remote work positions in response to COVID-19.
- Establishing yourself as an [independent contractor](#) can help you find more opportunities.
- Getting a full-time [nanny job](#) might be perfect for you if you're good with kids.

Creating a Home Office

To do a remote job or run a home-based business effectively, you'll need a distraction-free zone. These tips can help you set up a home office.

- Even though having a separate room is ideal, a home office [can go anywhere](#).
- Look to place your home office in a room with [natural light](#).
- If your work is done online, you might prefer having a [desktop computer](#) for your office.
- Learn how to [shield your devices](#) from malware and phishing attacks.

Financial Help for Your New Career

The upside of getting a remote job is that you often get the same benefits and support that you would for an in-person position. If you're a small business owner or independent contractor, though, you're often on your own. These resources can help.

- Small business owners can apply for numerous types of [loans](#).
- If you're self-employed, you might qualify for [low-cost health insurance](#).
- Federal and state government agencies also have COVID-19 [resources](#) for businesses.
- Forming an LLC in your state could give you tax advantages.

Whether you start a job as a remote employee or launch your own home-based business, you'll want to familiarize yourself with the resources that are out there. Whatever path you choose, setting up a home office will help you stay organized and find more success with your new career.

To see employment opportunities in greater Thurston County, please visit the Lacey Veterans Services Hub [website](#).