

Resources for Dog Daycares

BUSINESS PLANNING RESOURCES

American Pet Products Manufacturing Association (APPMA)

<http://www.appma.org/>

Promotes pet ownership and the pet product industry. Gathers statistics on pet manufacturing products and services.

Business Plan Pro

<http://www.paloalto.com/>

Software designed for business planning. Current versions include a sample business plan for a dog daycare.

Humane Society of the United States (HSUS)

<http://www.hsus.org/>

Provides information on pet ownership statistics and humane care of all animals.

Market Research Website

<http://www.export.gov/marketresearch.html>

Small Business Administration (SBA)

<http://www.sba.gov/>

For information on all aspects of business ownership from start-up to growth, including financial concerns. Links to numerous counselors and development centers to assist small business owners.

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

<http://www.uspto.gov/>

Provides a searchable database for service marks, trademarks, and business names

U.S. Pet Ownership and Demographics Source Book

<http://www.avma.org/membshp/marketstats/sourcebook.asp>

This is a comprehensive survey of pet owners and pet population demographics. It is available from the American Veterinary Medical Association

CLEANING PRODUCTS

Household cleaning products can be found locally. Other products can be ordered from pet product companies

- A-33 Dry
- Bleach
- Oda-ban
- Quat 256 Disinfectant Cleaner
- Roccal-D Disinfectant
- Simple Green
- Wysiwash <http://www.wysiwash.com/>

DOG BEHAVIOR AND BODY LANGUAGE RESOURCES

Books on canine body language, learning theory, and training. Most books and videos available through Dogwise at <http://www.dogwise.com>. Dog-related seminars available at <http://www.puppyworks.com/>

- Calming Signals by Turid Rugaas
- Culture Clash by Jean Donaldson
- Dog Behavior Pamphlets (especially Fighting and Biting) by Ian Dunbar
- Dog to Dog Aggression Video by Sue Sternberg
- Dog Language by Roger Abrantes
- Excel-erated Learning by Pamela Reid
- A Guide to Choosing Your Next Dog From the Shelter by Sue Sternberg
- How to Own and Operate a Dog Daycare Video by Robin Bennett
- The Other End of the Leash by Patricia McConnell
- The Power of Positive Training by Pat Miller
- Temperament Testing for Dogs in Shelters by Sue Sternberg

FENCING/KENNEL DESIGN

Clark Cages

<http://www.clarkcages.com/>

Design Learned Inc.

<http://www.designlearned.com/>

Horst Custom Animal Enclosures

<http://www.horstcompany.com/>

Mason Company

<http://www.masonco.com/>

FLOORING

Dog Kennel Floors

<http://www.dogkennelfloors.com/>

Golden Look International

<http://www.goldenlook.com/>

Kennel Deck

<http://www.kenneldeck.com/>

Kennel Komfort

<http://sharshootsphotos.tripod.com/LRP/index.html>

RB Rubber

<http://www.rbrubber.com/>

Tuflex Rubber Flooring

<http://www.tuflex.com/>

HUMAN RESOURCE INFORMATION

Jian[®]

<http://www.jian.com/index.html>

Software for businesses. The Employee Manual Builder and Agreement Builder are excellent.

INSURANCE COMPANIES

Kennel Pak

<http://www.kennelpak.com/>

Mourer Foster

<http://www.mourerfoster.com/>

Attn: Dennis Stowers

1-800-686-2663

MERCHANT SERVICES

Sterling Payment Technologies, LLC

Attn: Ed Connor

(703) 670-3882

PAYROLL SERVICES

Paycycle

<http://www.paycycle.com/>

Provides payroll processing, tax filing and other business services.

Primepay

<http://www.primepay.com/>

Provides payroll processing, tax filing and other business services.

PET SUPPLIES (COLLARS, CRATES LEASHES, TOYS)

Campbell Pet Company

<http://www.campbellpet.com/>

J-B Wholesale Pet Supplies

<http://www.jbpet.com/>

J and J Dog Supplies

<http://www.jjdog.com/>

KONG[®] Company

<http://www.kongcompany.com/>

Lupine[®] Pet

<http://www.lupine.com/>

Nylabone®

<http://www.nylabone.com/>

Petedge

<http://www.petedge.com/>

Premier® Pet Products

<http://www.gentleleader.com/>

Proactive Pet

<http://www.proactivepet.com/>

Puppy Playground

<http://www.puppyplayground.com/>

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Puppy Playground

<http://www.puppyplayground.com/>

SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS FOR DOG DAYCARES

Kennel Connection

<http://www.kennelconnection.com/>

Kennel Link

<http://kennelink.com/>

KennelSoft

<http://www.kennelsoft.com/>

SOUND DEADENING

B-Quiet

<http://www.b-quiet.com/>

Occupational Safety and Health

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/noisehearingconservation/>

TRADE ASSOCIATIONS AND GROUPS

American Boarding Kennel Association (ABKA)

<http://www.abka.com/>

A non-profit trade association for pet care service businesses. Is working toward the establishment of daycare industry standards and voluntary accreditation of facilities

American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)

<http://www.avma.org/>

A non-profit trade associations for the veterinary profession

Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT)

<http://www.apdt.com/>

A professional organization of trainers committed to better training through education

Daycare lists at Yahoogroups

Visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/> and search for either dogdaycare or nadda (or both). Join the lists using the information provided

WEBCAMS

Online Doggie

<http://www.onlinedoggie.com>

Except from *All About Dog Daycare...A Blueprint For Success* by Robin Bennett. Original edition. 5 ½ X 8 ½, 192 pages, ISBN 1-933562-52-8, \$25.95, Publication November 2005
www.allaboutdogdaycare.com