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Helping Your New Pet Acclimate While You're Also Starting a Business

You're welcoming a new pet into your home, and you're working hard trying to get your new business off the ground. You have a lot going on.

Each of these ventures can be thoroughly rewarding in its own right, but it's essential that you dedicate enough time and energy both to your pet and your business. That way, you can strike a healthy balance and make the most of this exciting new chapter in your life.

So, how do you become a great pet owner and business owner at the same time? [SafeHaven Humane Society](#) is here with some practical tips to help you get started:

Come Up With a Routine

Work, family, new pet—you must prioritize all of these things if you're going to get the most out of this new chapter in your life. [Develop a schedule](#) that optimizes your productivity while also allowing you time to spend with your family and care for your pet. If you don't, then you could end up playing too much with your pet and not getting your work done. Or, you could work too much, which would lead to the neglect of your family and pet (not to mention burnout). Finding balance is key.

Outsource Where Necessary

Even entrepreneurs who have no responsibilities other than their business benefit from hiring other team members. Trying to do everything yourself will only lead to decreased productivity and burnout. Think of any tasks or projects that other professionals could do more [efficiently](#), and find freelancers to handle them. This will free up more time for you to focus on running your business and caring for your pet.

There are plenty of qualified freelancers in a wide variety of fields, including virtual assistants, software developers, graphic designers, web designers, and more. And going through online job platforms is a cost-effective way to grow your business. For instance, you might be wondering, "[How much do website designers make?](#)" You may be surprised that you can find top-notch candidates for as little as \$15 to \$30 an hour!

Find a Good Trainer or Sitter

Training a pet is one of the most challenging stages of ownership. If you're not able to get your work done while you're trying to train your new pet, consider hiring a professional [trainer](#). Or, you may even benefit from bringing in a pet sitter who can [take care](#) of your pet throughout the day.

Take Breaks Throughout the Day

Time flies when you're working, especially if you love what you do. However, it's essential that your pet gets the attention they need, which is why you must schedule breaks during the workday. Go to the restroom, get a snack, or do a breathing exercise. Give your pet a treat, snuggle for a few minutes, or take them for a short walk. Not only will this help your pet thrive, but it will also keep you [happier](#) and more productive.

Establish Your Pet's Living Area

In most cases, pets are quite anxious when they're acclimating to a new home, and it's critical that they have a comfortable living space. Since you'll be working most of the day, consider setting their [living area](#) in your office, or at least nearby. This will help your pet feel calmer while also making it easier for you to care for them.

While it will likely come with challenges, bringing a new pet into your home while starting a business can provide you with a fulfilling life. Remember to make a daily schedule, figure out what types of freelancers can help, and hire a reputable trainer or sitter. Also, take frequent breaks during the day, and make sure your pet has a comfortable space near your office. In no time, you and your furry business partner will be having the time of your lives!