Website Maintenance and Support

Vision, Services, and Challenges



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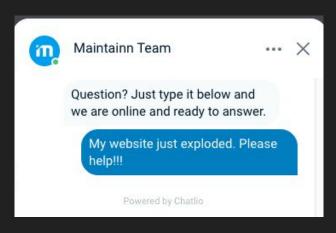
- Updates WordPress, plugins, and themes!
- Regular offsite backups
- Security monitoring and cleanup
- Performance and uptime monitoring
- Support changing technologies (PHP version)
- Enhancements
- Bug fixes

Bottom Line: Maintain a healthy website!



What Type of Support Do You Want to Provide to Your Clients?

- What type of support will you offer?
 - o 24/7 call center?
 - Structured working/business hours?
 - o Bat Phone?
- How will clients interact with support?
 - Ticket based system (Help Scout, Zen Desk, etc)
 - Email
 - Phone
 - Text or Live Chat





- What types of websites do you support?
 - WordPress only? Multisite?
 - eCommerce
 - Open Source only? (Drupal, Magento, etc)
 - Anything and everything? (forums, wikis, etc)
- Do you offer server-level support
 - Sysadmin, systems level management, etc.
 - Managed vs Unmanaged
- Backup solutions
 - 3rd party options (BlogVault, VaultPress, Backup Buddy)
 - Custom solutions





- Will you offer a Service Level Agreement? (SLA)
 - Understanding the legal commitments
 - Guaranteed response times and resolution targets
 - How will you guarantee you can hit those marks?
 - Repercussions if you don't hit those marks
 - Could be financial and or legal penalties





- Scaling
 - O How will you scale from 1 to 100 to 1000 support clients?
 - Do your services and processes work at scale?
 - Optimizing the onboarding process
 - o Can you support a client that brings you 100 websites from the start?





Defining the Services You Plan to Offer

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- Support Plans
 - Various levels for different types/sizes of clients
- Offering Hosting
 - Do you plan on offering/including hosting options?
- Support Hours

o Do you want to offer hourly support for new development, bug fixes,

enhancements, etc?

- Pricing various service levels/plans
 - Core Support Plans
 - Discounts
- Partnerships and Affiliate Programs

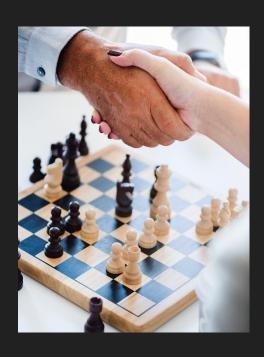




Some of the Challenges You May Encounter

Account Management

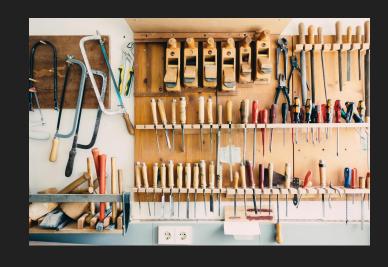
- More clients, more services = More opportunities, more challenges
- Everyday is a new adventure
 - Expect the unexpected
- Prioritize support requests SLA, tiers, escalations
 - Missing SLAs legal aspects \$\$\$
- Dealing with different client personalities
 - Take the good with the bad, be patient
 - One bad review can spoil many good reviews
 - Avoid saying no (if you can) find a way
 - Services instead of refunds
- Commitment is a two-way street
 - Key to every successful partnership





Processes & Tools

- Have well defined processes document, review and update often
 - Reduces confusion "controlled chaos"
 - Improves organization, increase overall service quality
 - Sets the pace, helps eliminate burnout
 - Reusable GDPR, cookie compliance, accessibility
- Everyone loves new tools
 - Increased efficiencies
 - Increased operational costs, blur standards
 - Evaluate ROI
 - Incorporate into process documentation





Staffing

- Team members must have a support mindset, creative problem solvers
- Assign team roles and responsibilities
 - Leverage strengths, build weaknesses
 - Make sure it's the right fit
- Build redundancy
 - Eliminate single points of failure illness, vacations
 - Dealing with attrition someone wins the lotto
- Prepare for growth
- Monitor your team's well being
 - Team meetings, 1:1s
 - Group chats, social media
- Praise often!



Bottom Line: Maintain a healthy workplace!

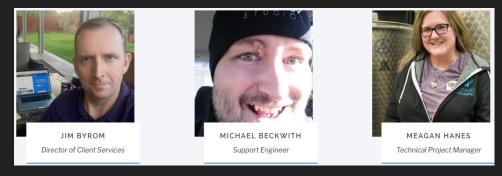


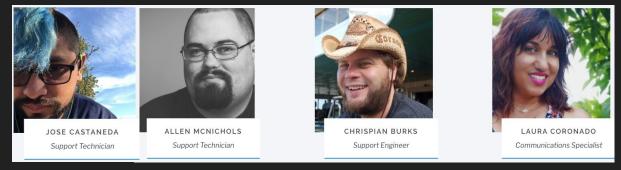
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About Maintainn

Core team started out with 3, now up to 7



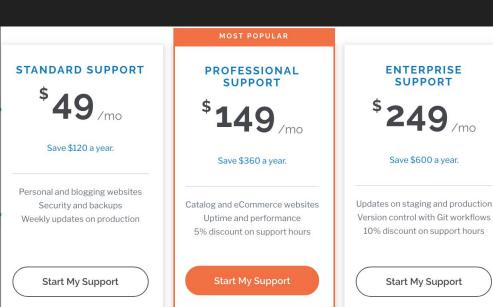


Leverage personnel from our parent company for help/escalations



Services

- Newly expanded services
 - Maintenance Plans
 - Support Hours Program
 - Development and technical services
 - SMB Websites
 - Hosting
- Managed services
- Agency partnerships





We Can Help

- Contact Us
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- Live Chat
 - https://maintainn.com/

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