

## STARTING A MAIL ORDER HOME BASED BUSINESS

Many people these days are trying out the mail order home based businesses; they can have any number of reasons for this. One could be a single mother trying to gain some extras income, one could be a student who does not have the means to travel distances for part time employment. Whatever the reason, there seems to be a growing trend in this field. It must be noted however; this is not the business for everyone. This type of business can take a great deal of patience and dedication to make it successful. From stuffing envelopes to making jewelry the list of mail order home businesses is virtually endless.

If for example you have decided to go with stuffing envelopes, you will receive the material and the mailing addresses. Then you will take the time to set up, stuff the envelopes the way the supplier wishes, label the envelopes with the appropriate address and take them to be mailed. Once you have done this, you will call and ask for more work. The idea may be great that you get to sit at home and make some spare money, what is not stated however is just how much stuffing you need to do. Many people become very discouraged over the first month of the endeavor, as they find that they are really not making very much money in comparison to the time they are involving in it. Sometimes you can make as little as 3 to 7 cents an envelope, when you do the math you can see that this could be a very long week just to make any good money.

If you elect to try out the jewelry-making endeavor, and get all your supplies sent to you in bulk, you must make sure you are not responsible for the shipping of the materials to you. This is not financially acceptable to many people, why should you have to pay for the products to be shipped your way and then shipped out once completed? This is another tricky business as many people can have trouble assembling things to begin with, let alone something so tiny as a pair of earrings. If you have trouble doing small tasks very multiple chores all day long, again it may be a good idea to reconsider this type of work. This is not in any way meant to condemn or impede the business itself, this is just a reminder that it can be a lot of work and some people may not see the benefits of working from home in this fashion if the pay is very minimal.

It can however, be a great project for someone with time and patience to get this off the ground, or can employ others to assist them at a small cost.

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