





Telling and Selling Our Story: Marketing and Branding for Recreation

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Session Description

- How do recreation, parks and culture staff and volunteers embrace the sometimes overwhelming job of marketing, branding, and social media and make it a reality? As well as promoting our own services, how can we do more to achieve “social good” and advocate for the connections, cooperation, and engagement needed for the individual, community, and environmental wellbeing that is our priority.





Learning Objectives

- Gain confidence as the result of the demystification of marketing.
- Learn the importance of understanding the key role of the benefits of recreation, parks, and culture.
- Learn practical strategies contained within a takeaway workbook.

*Be Distinct
or Be Extinct*
--Tom Peters



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Pair and Share

- Your Name
- Your Organization
- One word to describe your current marketing initiatives



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Why is Marketing Important?

- creates an awareness and appreciation
- ensures credibility
- generates revenue (programs, products, services)
- attracts financial support
- encourages stakeholder engagement
- ensures meaningful and relevant programs, products, and services



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Branding



*Branding is
what people say
about you when
you're not in the
room.*

- who you are and what you do, packaged clearly and memorably
- what helps the public identify you, as well as distinguish you, from others
- “look and feel”
- a blending of overall image, mission and focus with the core marketing message
- helps the public identify and distinguish you from others



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Whether you know it or not, your organization already has a brand identity. It's everything the world sees and hears about you – how your phones are answered, how staff present themselves, how your materials look, how your website and social media works. And, more importantly, it's how your audiences perceive your organization based on all those factors and then some.

R. Christine Hershey

Think about your brand as your promise to your internal and external stakeholders




Why is Branding Important?

- helps identify you/sticks in the minds of your stakeholders
- establishes a meaningful relationship, trust, and loyalty with your stakeholders
- helps you understand who you are by linking your mission or purpose to your brand
- motivates and instills a sense of pride
- ensures consistency and focus to all your marketing and communications
- an asset that can potentially be used for partnering with the private sector

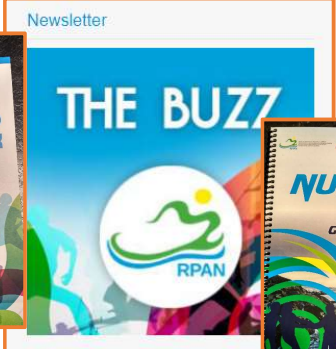


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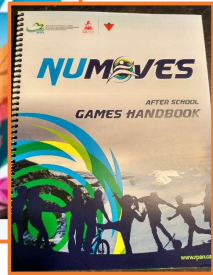




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Understanding Your Organization's Brand



- What three words would you use to describe your organization's brand (or network, neighbourhood, initiative etc.)

OR

- If it were an animal would it be and why?





Framework for a Marketing/ Communications Plan



1. determine marketing and communication priorities
2. clarify target audiences and key messages
3. prioritize your marketing “voice” and “look and feel”
4. select general marketing approaches or strategies
5. prepare implementation plan
6. develop and implement marketing tools



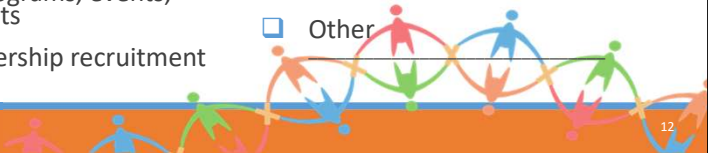
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Workbook Page 1: 1. Determine Your Marketing & Communication Priorities



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| <input type="checkbox"/> engaging community support | <input type="checkbox"/> raising credibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fundraising/resource generation | <input type="checkbox"/> retain current donors |
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Workbook Page 2: 2. Clarify Benefits, Target Audiences, and Key Messages

- what outcomes or benefits are you delivering and how will they make things different?
- what are you trying to make true that isn't true now?
- what are the three most important things you want conveyed about your organization or cause? (or initiative, committee, program, service, event etc.)
- why are these things important?
- how do you compare to others?
- why should people believe you know what you are doing?
- who needs to hear your key messages? (who are your target audiences)



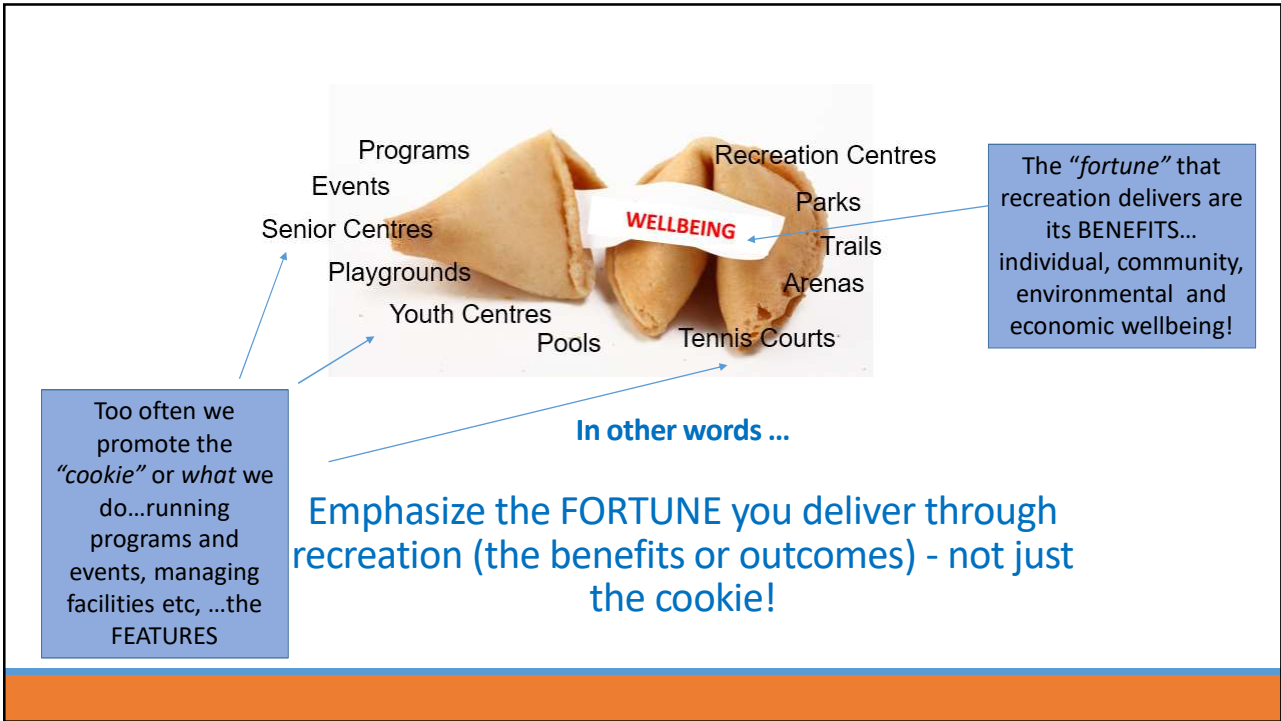
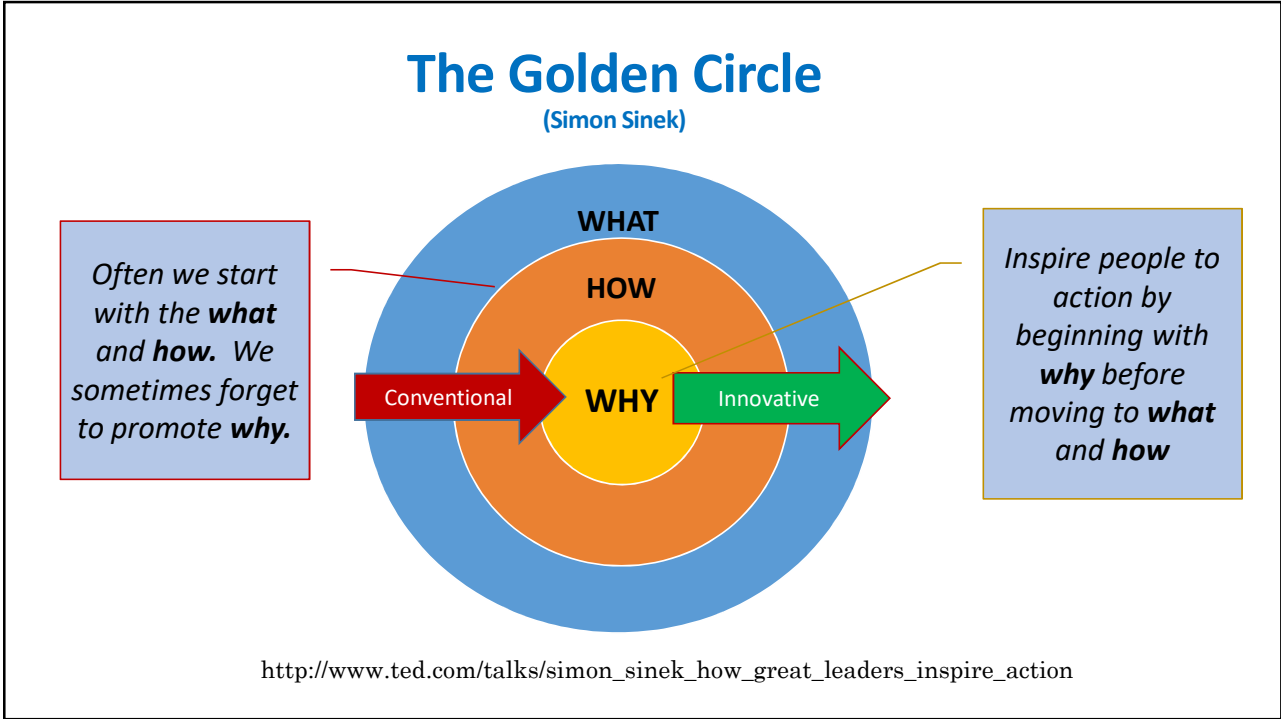
Understanding the Difference Between Features and Benefits


- **features** are the characteristics of your product, program, service or event (time, location, duration, cost, staff, etc.)
- **benefits** or outcomes are what the features allow you to deliver to your clients/customers/citizens
- too often we emphasize *features* when we should be selling the *benefits or outcomes*
- need to answer the question, "what's in it for me?"

The best marketing focuses on the why not the what or how.

— Simon Sinek (in his book "Start with the Why")








Benefits and Outcomes (your fortune!)

To better understand and market the *benefits* of your community program, service, cause, or event, it is critical to understand what motivates a person to engage.

Questions:

What motivates individuals to take part in your _____?
<<insert name of organization, initiative, program, service, or event>>

What benefits, outcomes, or end results are they seeking?



Workbook page 2:

Alphabet Challenge

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*Sell the sizzle
not the steak!*

Developed by Carol Petersen



Examples of Individual Benefits or Outcomes (Micro)

- achievement, accomplishment
- acquisition of knowledge
- aesthetic enhancement
- catharsis
- challenge and risk
- connectedness to others
- curiosity
- ethnic and cultural identity
- excitement; an adrenaline rush; exhilaration
- fantasy; illusion; temporary escape




Individual Benefits of Individual Benefits or Outcomes (Micro) cont'd

- feeling of being important; growth of self-worth and self confidence
- feeling of well-being and vitality
- peer group recognition
- prestige; social recognition; status
- regression – desire to let your hair down
- relaxation and alleviation of stress and tension
- self-exploration and self-discovery
- sense of belonging
- social interaction with friends, family, previously unknown other

Adapted from Crompton, J (2011)




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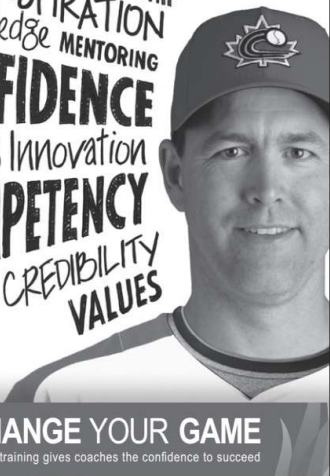
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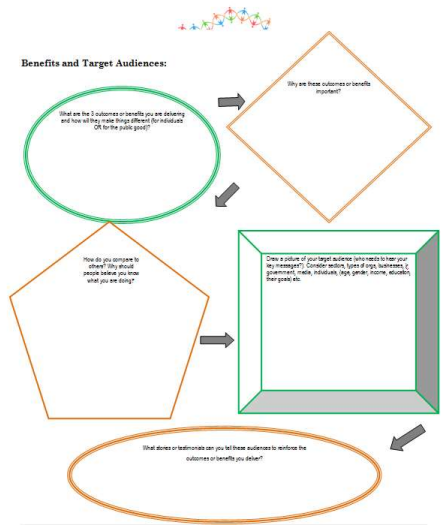
Examples of Key Messages

- *recreation contributes to active, creative, engaged communities*
- *kids who are physically active learn better*
- *the family that plays together, stays together*
- *supporting youth means supporting leaders of today and tomorrow*
- *your wisdom can help build future leaders*
- *communities get better when their leaders do*



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Worksheet page 3: Clarifying your Benefits, Target Audiences, and Key Messages



3. Prioritize Your Marketing “Voice” and “Look and Feel”

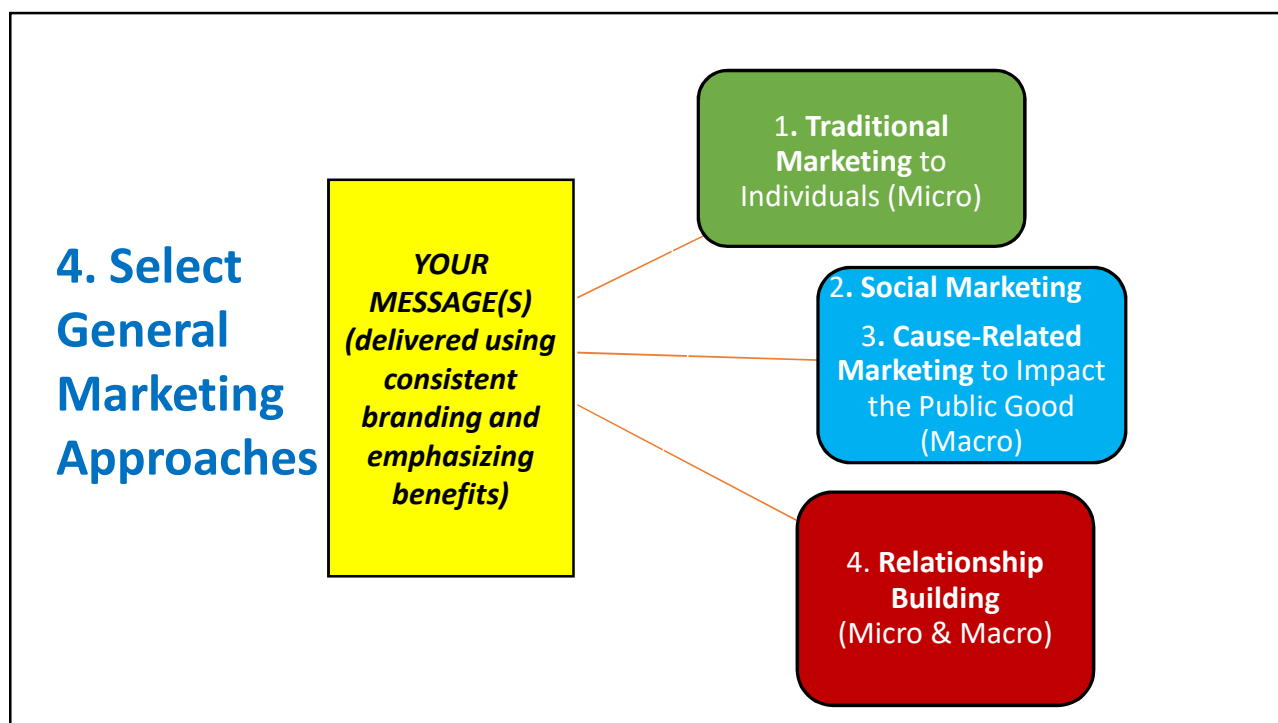
VOICE

- promotional materials reflect your values
- vocabulary, grammar and style
- consistency
- variation

LOOK AND FEEL

- consistent color scheme, font, logo
- consistent look and feel to every piece of marketing material e.g. website, ppt templates, taglines, logos, social media, brochures, emails, business cards, letterhead







2. Social Marketing

3. Cause-Related Marketing to Impact the Public Good (Macro)

- the design and implementation of strategies and programs seeking to increase the acceptability of a social idea or a cause by a target group
- increasing the average individual's perception of the value, benefits, and importance of a specific behaviour, product, event, service, or initiative



2. Social Marketing

3. Cause-Related Marketing to Impact the Public Good (Macro)

- a partnership between a nonprofit or government and a for-profit business for mutual profit
- businesses increasingly recognizing the value of strategic alliances with government and the voluntary/non-profit sector
- reflects corporate social responsibility and builds sales
- need to ensure:
 - *compatibility with values and ethics*
 - *benefits of partnering*
 - *written agreement*





4. Relationship Building (Micro & Macro)

- a hybrid approach for Community Developers that combines traditional marketing, cause-related marketing, social marketing, and public relations to deliver benefits for individuals as well as the broader community good (micro and macro)
- based more on *help than hype*
- builds trust, support, and loyalty among your stakeholders
- focuses on community building and the development of meaningful, trusted relationships



1. Traditional Marketing (Micro)



- How we market programs, services, events, services to individuals
- Marketing Mix (the 5 P's):
 - Product
 - People
 - Price
 - Promotion
 - Place





Buying Motives



- traditional buying motives are *fear* and *need*
- today's buying motives:
 - *inner directed*
 - *based on values*
 - *want to buy or invest with those who are pleasant, reliable, demonstrate integrity and go the extra distance*
 - *growing importance of socially valued products/brands*



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Internet Savvy Training

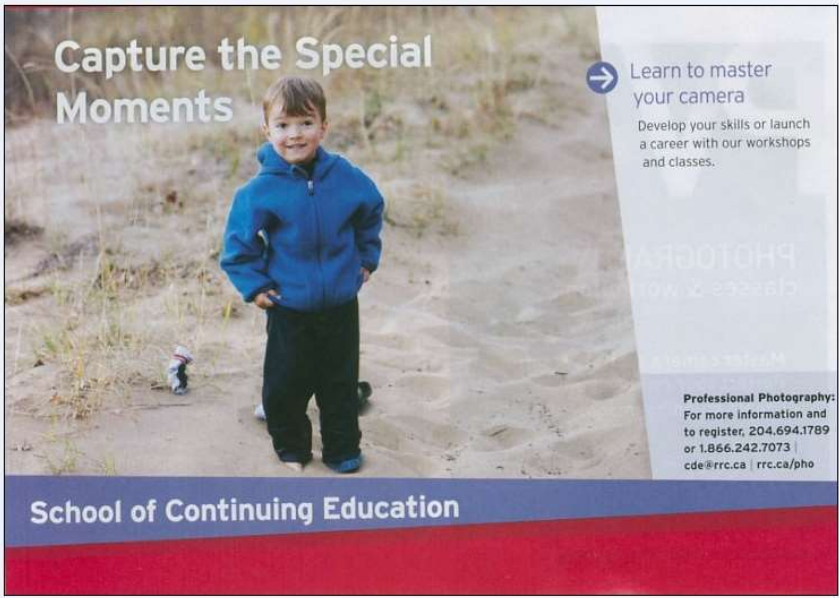
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- What Kids do Online
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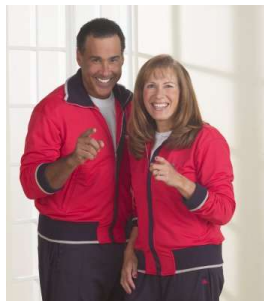
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2. Social Marketing

- marketing of a social idea or a cause
- typically three steps:
 1. *awareness of an issue*
 2. *appreciation of what the issue really means to an individual or their organization*
 3. *understanding of change options - the intent is to modify values and ultimately behaviour*



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GOOD HEALTH NATURALLY

Healthy Hearts

Thirty minutes or more of moderate intensity physical activity (such as brisk walking) on most days or even better, every day, is all that's needed to gain health benefits.

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There are many scenic walks and bike trails all over Victoria and the Heart Foundation and Parks Victoria are working together to make parks even more heart friendly.

A heart condition need not stop you from enjoying our wonderful parks, so talk with your GP about a suitable management and physical activity plan.

Ask your GP about how to get healthy in parks.

Call the Heart Foundation's Helpline on 1300 34 27 87.





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Remember your mum telling you outside to fill your lungs with fresh air? What better place to do it than one of Victoria's magnificent parks.

Asthma Victoria has a range of information and resources to assist you. Your GP can teach you how to maximise your enjoyment of life with ways you can manage your medication and recognise how to keep your asthma under control. So check with your doctor.

While exercise is healthy, some people should seek guidance on how best to manage conditions like asthma. Although many people with asthma have exercise as a trigger, Exercise Induced Asthma (EIA) can be easily managed. EIA should be no barrier to a full, active and healthy lifestyle – including regular visits to one of our parks.

Call Asthma Victoria on 1800 445 130.



Healthy Parks
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Healthy People


Why walk on a treadmill indoors when you can take in some of the best views our state has to offer?

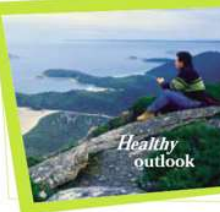
Why ride your bike only on a road when there are some amazing trails with sounds and sights to exercise all your senses?

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Ask your GP about how to get healthy in parks.





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- A 30 acre lake available for fishing, paddle craft, sailboats and canoes;
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- swim twice a week for 30 weeks;
- skate once a week for 15 weeks;
- play in a basketball league once a week for 26 weeks;
- play badminton once a week for 30 weeks;
- golf a 9 hole golf course 20 times;
- participate in fencing or karate for a season;
- take an art course for 30 weeks;
- act in one theater production;
- teach computer skills;
- take a boating course;
- acquire leadership skills;
- take a first aid course; and
- participate in a drop in program 4 hours a week for 40 weeks.

To participate in all these activities, we could also provide the young person with:

- running shoes
- swimsuit
- skates
- a basketball
- a badminton racquet
- an art kit (including paints, paint brushes, pencil crayons and pastels)
- a set of golf clubs

Finally, we could provide the young person with transportation to and from the recreation activities by purchasing a bus pass, bicycle and bicycle helmet.

We would then return to you approximately **\$93,902.12** and a much happier and healthier individual!

Adapted from: "McGowan, Celeste. "The \$100,000 Kid: why is it so expensive to imprison young offenders?" *Alberta Star*, Aug/06.




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Social Marketing Analysis

Determine your **target audience(s)** and answer the following questions

- What message(s)/outcome(s) are we trying to convey to this audience?
- Who are the real decision-makers we must reach?
- When is it best to deliver our message?
- How can we best deliver the message (strategies)?
- List and describe potential tools and techniques that could be used to appeal to your target market



3. Cause-Related Marketing

- a partnership for mutual profit between a nonprofit and a for-profit
- businesses are recognizing the value of strategic alliances with government the voluntary/non-profit sector
- reflects corporate social responsibility and builds sales
- need to ensure:
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Winning the day with random acts of hope

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My football coach changed my life. And, even though it's been years since he passed away, his impact is still being felt even in places where he's never set foot. Although it sounds pretty dramatic, I know if Coach Bill Bell hadn't seen my potential, I wouldn't have made it into adulthood. My adoptive mother died when I was five, my adoptive father left when I was 12. I was a victim of physical and sexual abuse — a "special ed" kid with a string of dismal grades. I was destined for failure. And then I met Coach Bill Bell. From Grade 7 to Grade 12, he was there for me. Because he believed in me, I started to believe in myself. Ultimately I even started to believe I had gifts I could pass on to others. Recently my travels brought me to Alberta. City staff in Leduc connected me to 10 moms who wanted a playground but didn't

have the finances or the connections. Since Feb. 1, those 10 moms have raised \$64,000 and Leduc will get their new playground on June 6. You might say a new playground is no big deal. But for the kid who needs a safe place to play, for that senior with a grandkid, it is a big deal. And of all of this because of whom? You could say it's because of 10 moms. You could give the credit to Ian Hill or his organization. Or you could say it was Bill Bell. Coach Bell's belief changed the outcome

of my entire life. In Leduc, 10 moms have altered the outcome of the lives of local kids and families. What about you? Is there a child or a spouse who needs your faith? A neighbour who needs a kind word or someone who needs a helping hand? We may not be able to change the world, but we can tend to our little corner of it. It is the collective impact of all these seemingly random acts of hope that will win the day. That's what Bill Bell did—his corner of the world was Ian Hill. He drew a line in the sand and said, "I'll make my mark on this man's life." I believe that every community is one idea, one voice, one action—one person—away from being better tomorrow than it was yesterday. You have the power to be that one person.



IAN HILL



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4. Relationship Marketing

- a hybrid approach for community developers that combines traditional marketing, cause-related marketing, social marketing, and public relations
- addresses both individuals and the broader community good (micro & macro)
- could include clients, potential clients, funders, citizens, organization members, members of the local community, members of the media, students, parents of students, online groups etc.
- builds trust, support, and loyalty among your stakeholders
- focuses on community building and the development of trusted relationships





Marketing for Relationship and Community Builders (5 P's)

- research and identify the outcomes or benefits of greatest interest or need to your PUBLIC or target market(s)
- work with representatives of that target market to develop a solution or PRODUCT to meet that need or interest e.g. program, service, event, initiative, service
- PEOPLE: gather information about potential target market/groups
- PACKAGE the product (considering price and place) and describe its benefits and features in terms that relate directly to the needs and interests of that target market(s)
- PLAN: communicate or promote the benefits to the target market using a mix or range of activities and mediums with an emphasis on inbound marketing



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EVENT EQUIPMENT LENDING





No more excuses: Your neighbourhood celebration is about to happen.


You have the vision to throw an epic neighbourhood gathering, but lack the equipment needed to pull it off. You know that your community is ready to mix and mingle, to form the bonds that create vibrant and safe neighbourhoods, but aren't sure how to make it happen. Having the vision is the first step and the Neighbourhood Event Equipment Lending program will help you achieve your goal by providing easy access to the gear needed to make your party a hit. The list of available equipment includes tents, tables, giant games, chairs and more!

A neighbourhood that celebrates together, stays together. You provide the vision, we'll provide the gear.

Get started...

 Visit the program site →

 Email: neighbourgood@london.ca


 Call: 519-661-5336

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NEIGHBOURHOODS PROGRAMS GUIDE

Meet the Neighbours, Create New Opportunities

NEIGHBOURHOOD SMALL EVENT FUND





Bring your neighbourhood together with events!


Thinking about throwing a neighbourhood bash but don't have the cash? Don't let that stop you! The Neighbourhood Small Event Fund has up to \$500 to help cover event costs like renting a portable washroom, a stage, sound equipment, and lots more! The event needs to be small, held on public property, accessible, open to the public, and free of charge.


If this sounds like the kind of event you want to host, get started on an application!

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Small Events Fund

Money to support
Local Community Gatherings

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Leave A Mark Adopt A Park!

Take part in keeping our parks clean and beautiful.

Adopting a park can take many forms, including general park clean up (picking up litter, painting, weeding and planting); providing direct monetary assistance for park enhancements, and providing input to the city on park use. This opportunity is open to residents, community organizations and businesses. The city recognizes the contributions of the adopting groups and individuals through signage with your name in the adopted park. To Adopt A Park call (623) 333-2400 • www.avondale.org/parks

The banner features a blue sky background with white stars, a large green tree silhouette, and silhouettes of people engaged in park activities like walking, running, and playing. The text is in a playful, rounded font.

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Framework for a Marketing/Communications Plan



1. determine marketing and communication priorities
2. clarify target audiences and key messages
3. prioritize your marketing “voice” and “look and feel”
4. select general marketing approaches or strategies
5. prepare implementation plan e.g. determine inbound vs outbound, budget, deliverables, measurement strategies
6. develop and implement marketing tools

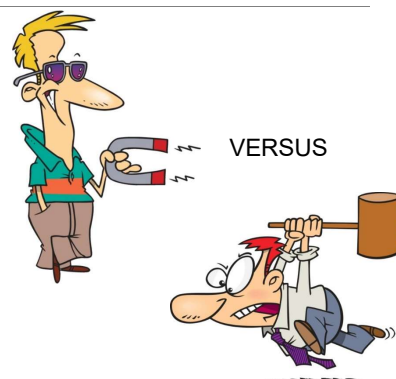


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Outbound vs Inbound Marketing

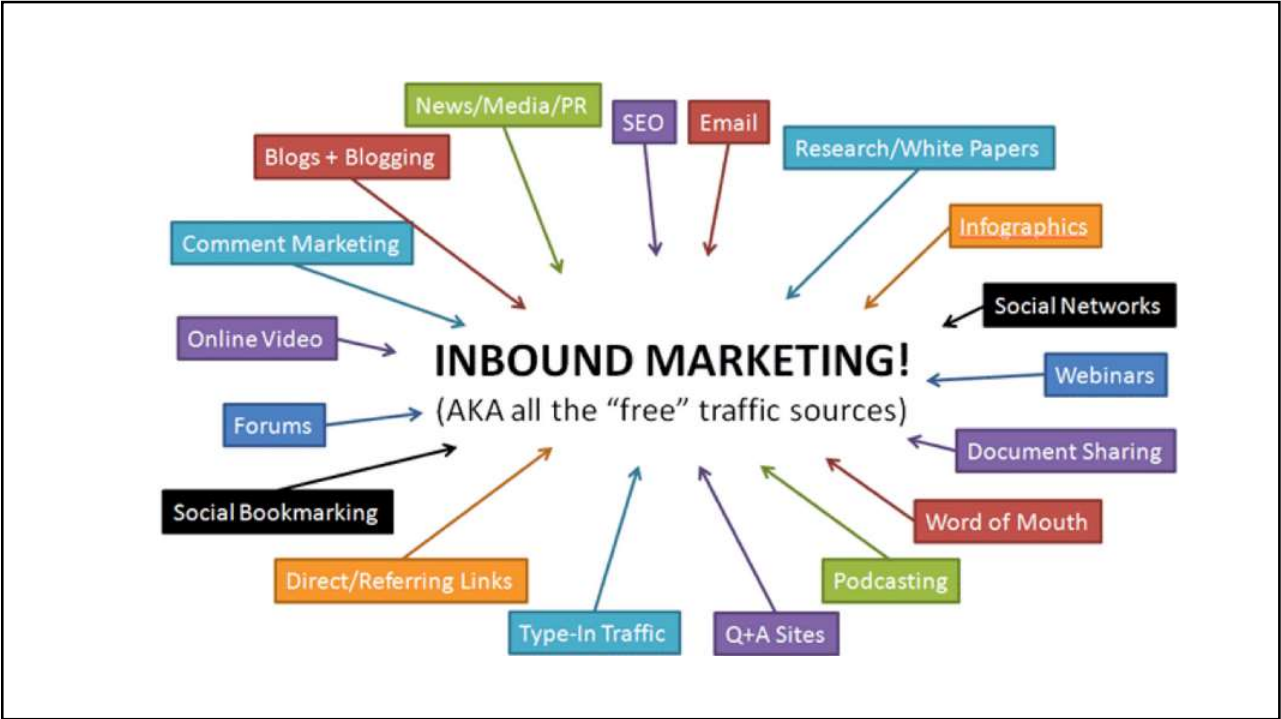
- outbound marketing: pushing out information to the masses, interrupting them
- inbound marketing: help your organization “get found” by people who are looking for your products and services
- http://brenda.herchmer.net/index.php?/main/comments/teaching_nana_to_sell_car_seats_for_cats




Components of Successful Inbound Marketing Campaigns

1. *Content* is the core of any Inbound Marketing campaign - the information or tool that attracts potential stakeholders to your organization's programs, services, events
2. *Search Engine Optimization* - makes it easier to find your website and content - maximizing search engine rankings
3. *Social Media* - impact of your content is magnified when it is shared and distributed across and discussed on networks of trusted relationships






Outbound	Inbound
Print Ads	Blogs, Ebooks, White Papers
Television Ads	Viral YouTube Videos
Cold Calling	Search Engine Optimization
Trade Shows	Webinars
Email Blasts	Feeds, RSS



Why Inbound Marketing?

- less expensive
- targeting can be more directed
- not an ongoing expense



Sample Implementation Plan				
Timing	Market	Tool	Responsibility	Budget
Feb.		Website		
April		Social media tools (blog, twitter, facebook)		
May		Ad in supplement		
June		Annual meeting		



Framework for a Marketing/Communications Plan

1. determine marketing and communication priorities and outcomes
2. clarify target audiences and key messages
3. prioritize your marketing “voice” and “look and feel”
4. select general marketing approaches or strategies e.g. traditional, social or cause related, relationship building
5. prepare implementation plan e.g. determine inbound vs outbound, budget, deliverables, measurement strategies
6. develop and implement marketing tools e.g. website, social media, case statement, articles, media training, tracking coverage etc. strategies



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Inexpensive Ideas for the Marketing Mix

- create relevant content on your website
- publish columns or articles in local newspapers, magazines
- repurpose content
- speak at conferences, service clubs, teach workshops/webinars etc.
- create your own award competitions
- host free events
- network, network, network
- join associations and take part in their networking events, forums etc.
- joint promotions

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Inexpensive Ideas for the Marketing Mix (cont'd)



- open as many communication channels as appropriate, including but not limited to LinkedIn, Facebook, blogs, Twitter, a toll-free phone number, live chat on your website, email, forums etc.
- survey your stakeholders for ideas
- create a loyalty program to encourage future purchases and referrals
- bumper stickers and window decals
- testimonials and reviews
- www.fiverr.com
- <http://www.nonprofitmarketingguide.com/resources/articles/>
- others?

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Interested in Learning More?

1. Website

- www.campusforcommunities.com

2. Publications

- Community Leaders Planning Toolkit
- Leadership for Active, Creative, Engaged Communities
- Community Building for Recreation Practitioners

3. Contact

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