

DIVISION of LIBRARY and INFORMATION SERVICES



Marketing for Busy Librarians

Section 1 - The Big Picture
Part 1 - Introduction and Basic Concepts

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This course is organized in three sections



Combining watch-at-your-convenience short online presentations with online chat sessions

Section 1

The Big Picture: Foundations

Week of September 1-8

First set of presentations posted

Live Chat September 8 **Section 2**

Digging In: Nuts and Bolts

Week of September 9-15

Second set of presentations posted

Live Chat September 15 **Section 3**

Assessment: Celebration

Week of September 16-22

Third set of presentations posted

Live Chat September 22

"Marketing"

outreach... public relations... communications... community relations... education

advertising... merchandising... sales... branding... value proposition

spin... greed... untruthfulness... planned obsolescence... "Mad Men"... manipulation

What is marketing?

"Marketing is the activity, set of institutions and processes for creating, communicating, delivering and exchanging offerings that have value for customers, clients, partners and society at large."

-American Marketing Association

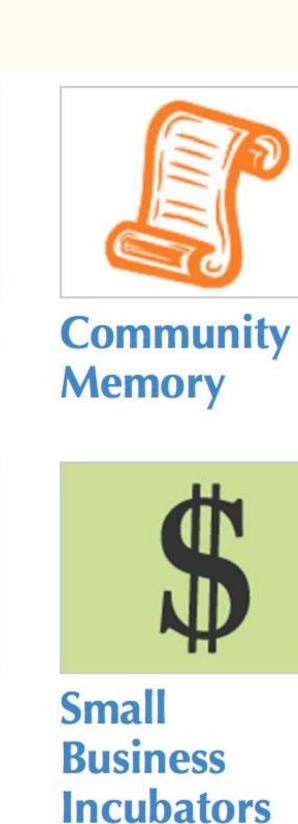
- Marketing is engaging people so they understand:
 - Who you are
 - What you do
 - . What it's worth to them

Why are we marketing?

- More use
- More esteem and value
- More support
- Changing lives
- Building community vigor

What are we marketing?



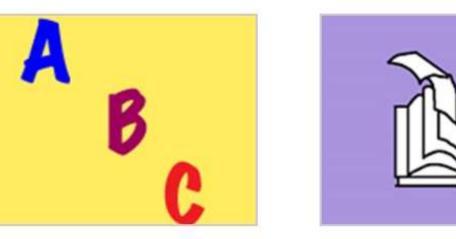




Workforce

Recovery





Early Learning Resources



Publishers



Health Promoters

Our libraries are rich and complicated

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e-books... magazines... movies... homework help...
downloadable audiobooks... online reference... GED prep...
ESL... community garden... seed saver...
information on health matters... current periodicals...
place to meet... business incubator... homework help...
programs for tiny children... teen space... elder assistance...
food stamp help... tax help... re-employment help... economic
development... cafe... meet the candidates night...
gallery... and books. Lots of them.
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"If you build it, they will come," won't work any more.

Nor will I sent them a newsletter. Why didn't they come?



Mirror Lake Community Library
St. Petersburg Public Library System

How will we market?

Marketing Cycle



Think

- Say to yourself, "We need better marketing." Now what do you see in your mind's eye when you imagine having great marketing? Be specific.
- Ask your staff what they think of when they hear the word "marketing." Do they have a positive feeling? Negative? Talk about this get some interest building.



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