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Successful Promotions That You Can Easily Replicate In Your Market

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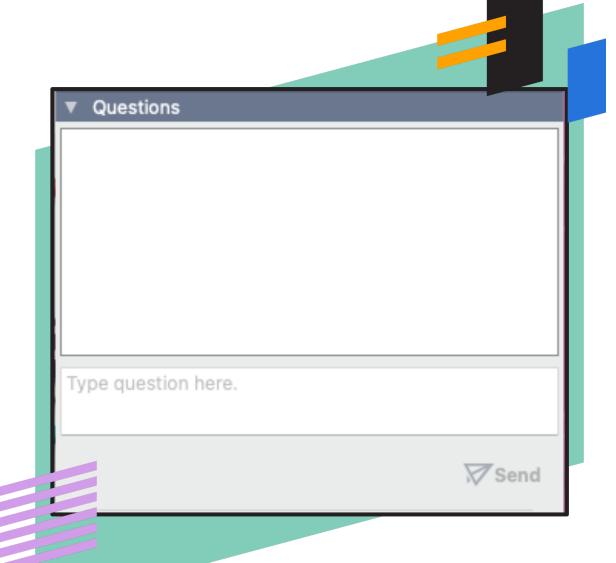
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Do you have questions?

Ask in the GoToWebinar Panel during the webinar, and we will answer them at the end!



Your Advertiser's Goals:

Leads

Audience Growth

Education

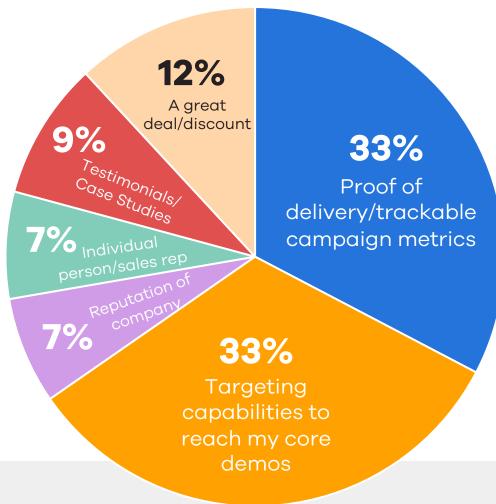
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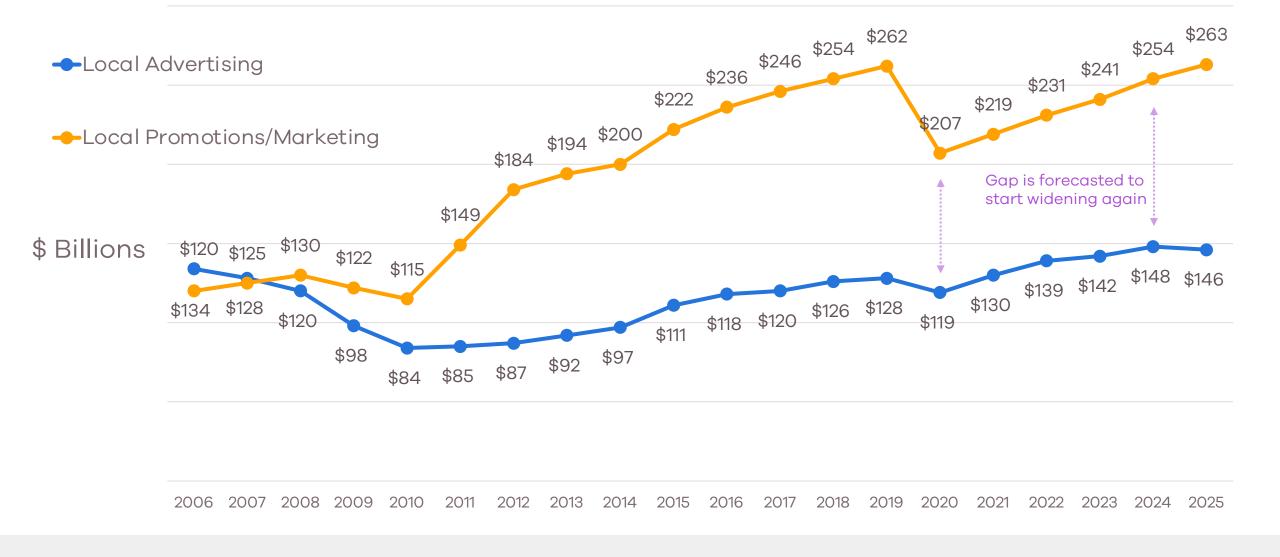
Capture Social Audience

Zero Party Data

What Persuades Advertisers to try Something NEW

"If you were to buy a new type of media, which would have the greatest influence on the type you would choose?"







Success Stories

Nexstar Media Group

- Diversified media company that produces and distributes engaging local and national news, sports and entertainment content across television and digital platforms,
- Over 200 owned or partner stations in 117 U.S. markets reaching 220 million people



WINNER

- Best Editorial, Promotions and Programming Campaign
- Best Seasonal Campaign
- Best Recurring Revenue Campaign

FINALIST

- Best Quiz
- Best Data Strategy
- Best National Sweeps: Revenue
- Best Photo Gallery
- Best Sweepstakes
- Best Voting Bracket
- Best Large Market Program
- Best Groupwide Strategy



2023



Diana Dionisio

Director, Sponsorship Solutions WGN-TV, Nexstar







WGN-TV

Idea

- Use the holiday season to draw in sponsors and promote participation
- Source multiple sponsors to generate a large, valuable prize
- Use the live reads during the morning show to promote contest, prizes, and sponsors



WGN-TV

Execution

- Sweepstakes with 5 sponsors
 - One entry per day
 - 5 winners
- Includes:
 - Links to sponsors' sites in CTA
 - Opt-in on contest entry form
- Prizes
 - 1 prize per day from each of the sponsors



It's the holiday season and that means it's time for Chicago's Merry Own! Starting Monday, watch *WGN Morning News* at 9am to hear more about featured prizes. Prizes include:

WGN-TV

Commercials

- One:30 spot
 - 20 ROS over 10 days



WGN-TV

Social Media

- One post each day of the promotion highlighting one of the sponsors
- Provided a QR code to contest entry page



Watch the @WGNMorningNews 9am hour today for a chance to win a @GoldfishSwim School new member holiday package.



8:54 AM · Dec 11, 2023 · 1,306 Views

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WGN-TV

Morning News Show

- Identified paid segment, hosted by announcer (NOT news talent) who provided live promo reads daily over a one-week period
- Provided a QR code to contest entry page



WGN-TV

Emails

- 5 invite emails sent
 - One each day highlighting one of the 5 sponsors
 - Client was able to get larger 'shout out' than on the entry page



Hi {{User.FirstName}},

Come check out the 2023 Chicago's Merry Own Contest! Enter for your chance to win between Monday, December 11th 2023 at 6:00am and Friday, December 15th 2023 at 12:00pm Central Time.

It's the first day of our Chicago's Merry Own Giveaway! Got a child between 4 months to 12 years old? You could win six weeks of lessons for one child, four family swim passes for the whole family, and a special Goldfish welcome bag with a tee shirt, Bubbles plush toy, goggles and two Goldfish board books. Valid at all 14 Chicagoland locations. The winner must be a 'new member.' Check them out at https://www.goldfishswimschool.com/chicagoland/

Click below to enter...

Good Luck! WGN-TV

Enter Now

WGN-TV

Results

- **Revenue**: \$40,000
- 11,123 entries
- 7,713 people
- Sponsor opt-ins
 - 1,400+ for Mathnasium
 - 800+ for Goldfish Swim School
- WGN-TV Opt-ins
 - 763 WGN Weather Newsletter
 - 622 Birthday Club Newsletter
 - 557 Promotions database



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WGN Radio

Idea

- Use contesting to leverage and secure a larger advertising buy from Toro
- Drive homeowners in the Midwest to Toro to buy their product line of batterypowered tools



WGN Radio

Execution

- Year-long campaign
 - One sweepstakes per month
 - One product featured and given away as a prize per sweepstakes
- Includes:
 - Opt-in on registration page
 - Lead-gen/ZPD questions
 - Curated cover graphic with product image
 - Product description and link to more product information



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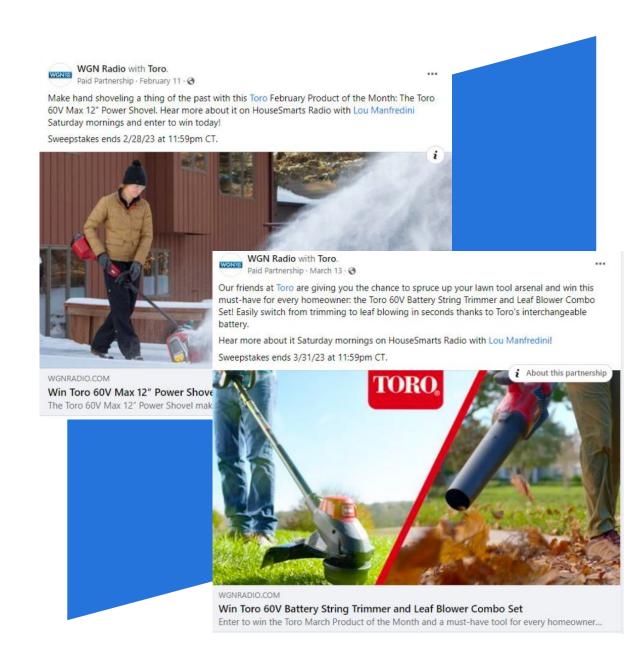
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I don't own or operate outdoor

WGN Radio

Social Media

2-3 posts per sweepstakes



WGN Radio

Emails

- Two invite emails sent per sweepstakes
 - One the first week
 - One the last week



Hi {{User.FirstName}}

When you need power on the go, you need the Toro 60V Max Power Inverter, the <u>Toro October Product of the Month</u> Giveaway from Toro and WGN Radio!

This Sweepstakes is accepting entries through Tuesday, October 31st 2023 at 11:59pm Central Time.

From tailgating to camping and wherever you are when you need power, the <u>Toro 60V Max Impulse Endeavor Power Inverter</u> has you covered. It offers three outlet options for whatever you might need to charge. And it's all part of Toro's interchangeable lineup of 75+ Flex-Force tools.

Hear more about Toro's October Product of the Month featuring the Toro 60V Max Power Inverter on HouseSmarts Radio with Lou Manfredini, Saturdays, 6am to 10am.

Good Luck! WGN Radio

Enter Now

WGN Radio

Radio

- 10-12 :30 recorded promos per sweepstakes
- Radio show HouseSmarts
 Radio with Lou Manfredini
 - Every week, host promotes the contest and prizes, leaning on own expertise and familiarity with Toro

HouseSmarts Radio with Lou Manfredini

Saturdays 6-10am 857-557-4LOU (4568)



Since 1995, Lou has developed a loyal following of listeners who've grown to rely upon his entertaining mix of practical, useful and valuable home improvement advice. (Click for more.)

WGN Radio

Results

- **Revenue**: \$131,000
- 9,000+ entries
 - 1,100 new users
- Nearly 800 opt-ins for Toro
- WGN Radio Opt-ins
 - 429 newsletter opt-ins
 - 440 promotions opt-ins



Take your lawn from ordinary...to extraordinary with Toro and a mower that cuts a mean streak!

Enter the Toro April Product of the Month Giveaway featuring the Toro 60V Max 21" Stripe Mower!

The Toro 60V Max 21" Stripe Mower delivers pro-level striping, dual blade mulching and up to 65 minutes of runtime on a single charge. The Toro Stripe is 25% lighter than other battery-powered mowers and when the mowing is done, it folds up for compact storage.

Learn more about the **Toro 60V Max 21" Stripe Mower** on HouseSmarts Radio with Lou Manfredini, 7am to 10am Saturdays.

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WGN Radio

Results

- In 2023, WGN grew the Toro account by **over 75**%
 - Part of this success was due to the inclusion of contesting
- Using this same model to replicate with other advertisers and markets



Toro, America's #1 brand in snow, wants to make your winter hassle-free with Toro's January Product of the Month Giveaway!

Enter to win a <u>Toro Power Clear e21 60V* Battery Snow</u> <u>Blower!</u>

Powered by Toro's interchangeable 60 volt max battery, this Toro Snow Blower delivers snowdrift strength to bust through heavy, wet snow, throws it up to 40 feet, and crushes it to the curb with the patent-pending, all-steel Power Edge auger.

Learn more about it on HouseSmarts Radio with Lou Manfredini, 7am to 10am Saturdays.

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Federated Media

- 12 radio stations within Fort Wayne and South Bend Indiana
- Utilize content marketing with traditional radio advertising and digital solutions that bring unrivaled ROI



WINNER

- Best Branded Content Campaign
- Breakout Partner of the Year

FINALIST

- Best Audience Builder Campaign
- Best Quiz
- Best Advertiser Lead-Gen

Campaign

- Best Data Strategy
- Best 'Best of' Ballot: Mid-Size Market
- Best Regional Campaign
- Best Mid-Size Market Program
- Best Groupwide Strategy



2023



Ryan Williams

Director of Digital Content Fulfillment

Federated Media





Federated - Fort Wayne

Idea

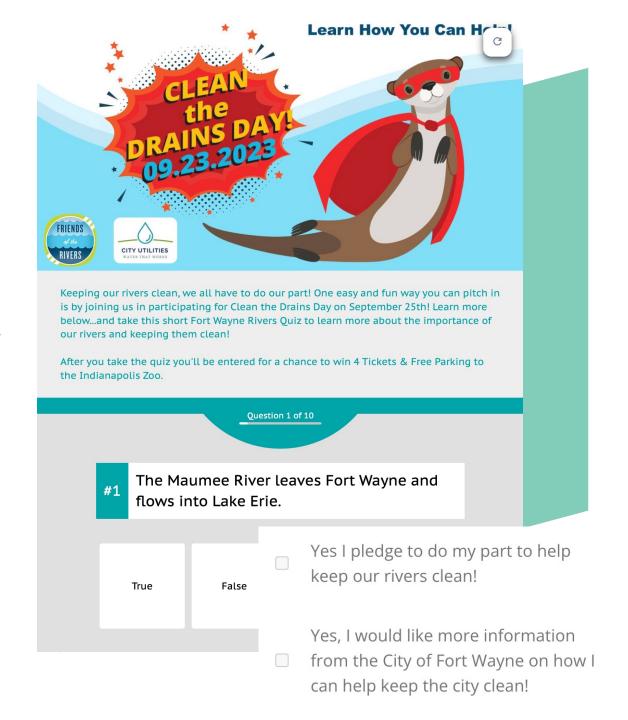
- Create a campaign that helped the Fort Wayne City Utilities:
 - Educate their audience about the ways they can prevent pollution of their rivers
 - Increase audience for Fort Wayne City Utilities



Federated - Fort Wayne

Execution

- Quiz run for 3 weeks educating the public about river pollution and how to keep the rivers clean
- Includes:
 - Logo and 'Clean the Drains Day' date included in header image
 - Link to registration for 'Clean the Drains Day'
 - Opt-in for sponsor
 - Opt-in pledge to keep rivers clean

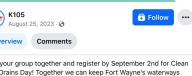


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Social Media

- K105 Morning Team recorded a series of videos to show listeners what City Utilities was encouraging:
 - Adopt neighborhoods to clean
 - Mark storm drains to help curb pollution that goes into rivers
 - 2 Facebook posts and 1 Instagram post
- Federated Media Engage
 - Federated Media staff themselves helped clean a strip of road to prevent river pollution





#ad #friendsoftherivers #fortwaynecityutilities

Be the first to leave a commen

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Email

- 3 emails
 - 2 invite emails to promote quiz
 - 1 promoting the Clean Drains
 Fest
 - Event celebrating their rivers
 with food trucks and music



VHAT: Music, Entertainment, Food Trucks and Du

We have your chance to win a Family-4-Pack of tickets to the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo!

Just take this short, fun quiz and you'll be entered for those tickets!

Take The Quiz

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Radio

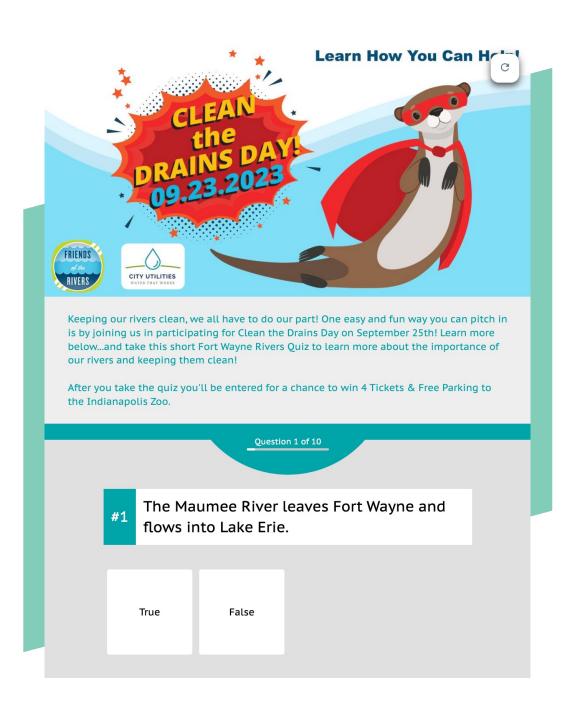
- :60 spots run over a 4 week period encouraging people to sign up to participate in Clean the Drains Day
- Live remote with radio show at Clean Drains Fest



Federated – Fort Wayne

Results

- **Revenue**: \$7,500
- Noted increase in signups and interest for Clean Drains
 - 500+ pledged to keep river clean
 - 200+ opt-ins for the Fort Wayne
 City Utilities
 - 32% liked Friends of the Rivers
 FW on Facebook



Clean Drains Quiz

Federated – Fort Wayne

Results

- Client continues to come back for more promotion opportunities
 - Each promotion essentially sells the next one



My Horry News

- MyHorryNews.com is the awardwinning local news source for all of Horry County, South Carolina
- Online, they are a daily news operation and also publish a series of award-winning weekly newspapers; The Horry Independent, Loris Scene, Carolina Forest Chronicle, Myrtle Beach Herald, News & Shopper and monthly publications North Strand News & Visit!



FINALIST

- Best Editorial, Promotions and Programming Campaign
- Best Niche Ballot
- Best Photo Gallery



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Bessie Bosco

Digital Marketing Manager

My Horry News





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Idea

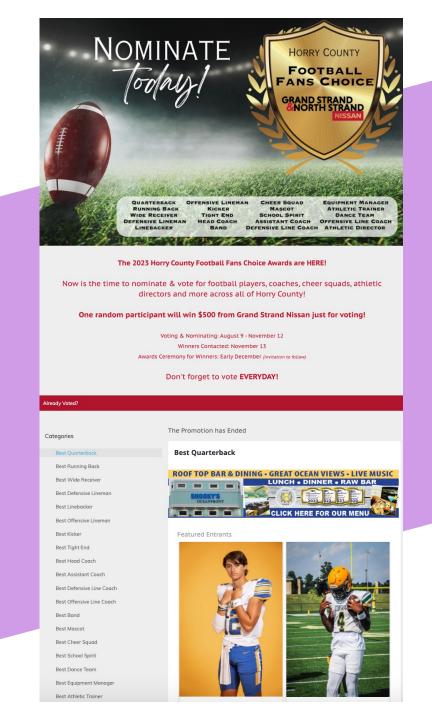
- Capture the hype around high school football with a Fans' Choice ballot
- Include more than just the players
 - Coaches, cheer/dance teams, athletic directors, mascots



My Horry News

Execution

- Ballot
 - Write-in nominations and voting
- Includes:
 - Title sponsor
 - Logo in ballot header image
 - Facebook like boxes on registration form
 - Category sponsors
 - Category ad within ballot
- Prizes
 - Winner of each category receives a plaque
 - \$500 for random sweepstakes winner



My Horry News

Print

- Half page ads run every week for the duration of the contest in weeklies
- Half page ads run monthly for the duration of the contest in monthly publication
- Full page ad promoting contest in Football Preview Special Section
- Full page ad announcing the winners for each category all papers



My Horry News

Digital

- ROS Promotional ads
- ROS Advertiser display ads



My Horry News

Social Media

- 21 social media posts created throughout the month
 - Sponsors tagged in Instagram and Facebook posts



The 2023 Horry County Football Fans Choice Awards are HERE! Now is the time to nominate & vote for football players, coaches, cheer squads, athletic directors and more across all of Horry County! One random participant will win \$500 from Grand Strand Nissan just for voting! Don't forget to vote everyday!



2023 Football Fans' Choice Contest

Check it out now!

My Horry News

Email

- 6 invite emails sent
 - Local chamber also promoted campaign through their weekly newsletters



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Event

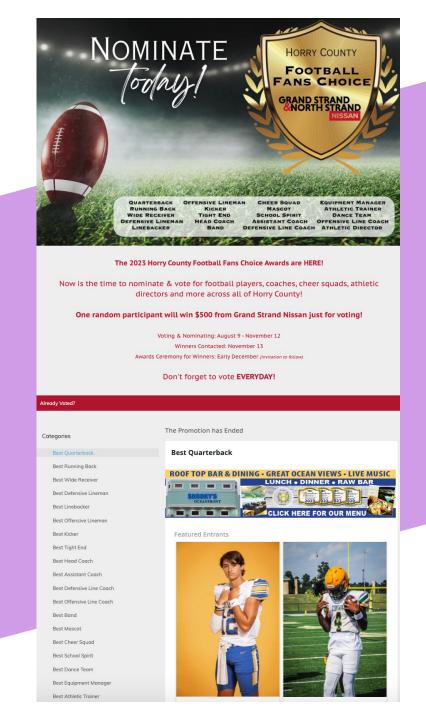
- Awards ceremony takes place at the end of the campaign
 - Held after the school/workday and each winner can bring 2 guests
 - Principals, head coaches and athletic directors from the schools of winners also invited
- Winner of each category receives a plaque with their category sponsor's logo



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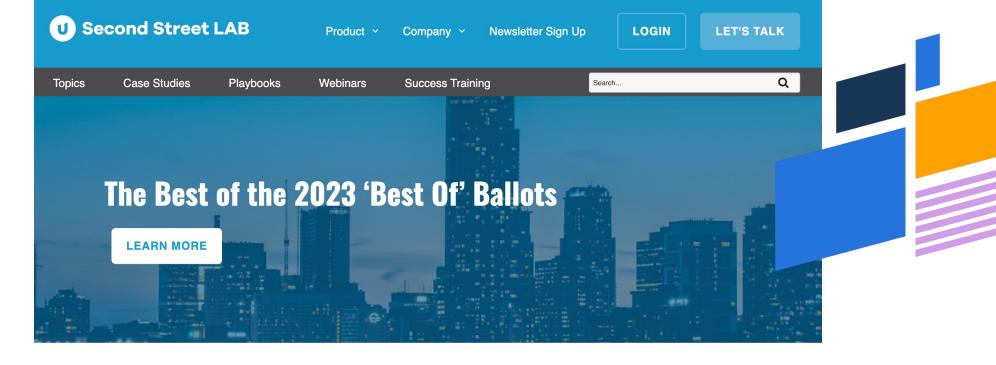
Results

- **Revenue**: \$13,455
- 195 nominations
- 29,000+ votes
- 2,400+ people
- 700+ new newsletter opt-ins
- 600+ new promotions & marketing opt-ins





Resources









by Julie Foley I Second Street

3 Ways Promotions Improve Your Branded Content Strategy

by Liz Huff I Second Street



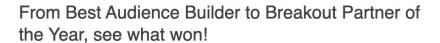




Announcing the 15th Annual Second Street Award Winners





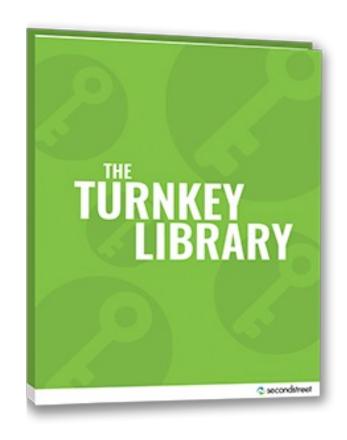


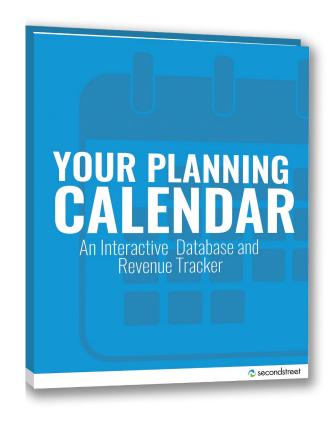
At the 15th Annual Second Street Awards, we celebrated the best and brightest success stories of 2023 from over 4,000 partners – and introduced some awesome new categories. Check out all our winners and finalists below, and learn how you can create winning promotions in 2024 and beyond!



lab.secondstreet.com/articles/15th-annualsecond-street-awards-results















Thank You!



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