2014-2015 Marketing/Outreach Update

Board of Trustees Meeting April 13, 2015







Paid Marketing: Background

- Prior to the recession, RSCCD had a marketing budget of about \$400,000.
- Strategies and tactics included:
 - Paid print advertisements in traditional media: Orange County Register, Orange City News, Orange Magazine, Foothills Sentry, Orange County Business Journal
 - Paid print advertisements in multicultural media: Excelsior,
 Contacto, Contigo, El Aviso, Hoy, La Voz de OC, Para Todos,
 Miniondas, Rumores, Nguoi Viet
 - Radio: KROQ-FM, Latino Broadcasting System, KSSE Super Estrella, KIIS-FM, KPWR-FM, Movin 93.9
 - Billboards







Paid Marketing: Background

- Cable TV ads: Cox Media, KDOC-TV, Time Warner
- Advertisements on buses, in movie theaters and malls
- Advertisements in area high school athletic programs
- Career Focus Magazine mailed to homes twice a year featuring key college programs (separate magazines for SCC and SAC)
- Rancho Visions print newsletter mailed to homes districtwide twice a year highlighting new college programs and student success stories
- In 2008-2009, the RSCCD marketing budget was brought to zero and paid marketing ceased.







2013-2014: Paid Marketing Restarts

- In October 2013, the Chancellor allocated \$200,000 in one-time money for intersession, spring, and summer marketing
- The Marketing Collaborative was formed to consider options
- Emphasis was on online marketing to drive prospective students to our college websites
 - Display and search campaigns: Partnered with ReachLocal, an online marketing agency
 - Pandora campaigns: Ran audio and display campaigns on free, personalized online radio
 - Our online campaigns consistently have performed above industry standards







2013-2014: Paid Marketing Restarts

- Paid advertisements in mainstream and multicultural media: Orange City News, Santa Ana Register, Orange Magazine + advertorial, Foothills Sentry, Miniondas, Rumores, Nguoi Viet + advertorial, Viet Bao
- Online Orange County Register advertisements
- Online advertisements on Nguoi Viet 2 (online English version of Nguoi Viet)
- Paid advertisements for intersession in college/university newspapers:
 UCI, CSUF, & CSULB
- Direct mail: Produced and mailed 200,000 postcards asking prospective students to enroll in our colleges (intersession, spring and summer mailings)
- Marketing Research: Young Company engaged for brand research study conducted at both colleges
- Professional photographer contracted: 2-day photo shoot at SCC
- Total spend: \$117,300







2014-2015: Paid Marketing Continues

- \$100,000 in one-time funds made available on September 15,
 2014: No funds available to market fall semester.
- The Marketing Collaborative determines that the bulk of the funds should be spent on marketing from April-June and on "durable goods."
- Direct mail: Postcards were mailed to 200,000 area residents in November 2014 for intersession and spring registration and in March for summer enrollment and fall applications.
- Online marketing continues and expands:
 - Display and search campaigns: ReachLocal campaign March-June
 - Facebook: ReachLocal managing ads March-June
 - Pandora campaigns: Audio and display campaigns March-June
 - UpSnap: Geo- and demographic-targeting mobile advertisements through apps April-June







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 Orange City News, Orange Magazine + advertorial, Foothills
 Sentry, Miniondas, Rumores, Nguoi Viet + advertorial, Viet Bao
- Online advertisements on Nguoi Viet 2 (online English version of Nguoi Viet)
- Orange County Register: Mobile advertisement 5/18/15-6/1/5/15
- Radio advertisements: KBUE Qué Buena 6/1/15-6/14/15
- Marketing Research: Young Company engaged to conduct two Message Hierarchy workshops
- Professional photographer contracted: 2-day photo shoot at SAC
- Social media planning: Working to secure a consultant to help with the production of a social media strategic plan







Internal Marketing

- Flyers: To promote class registration for GR8 Weeks classes and as needed
- Student emails: To nudge students to remember key registration dates
- Marquee announcements: To drive students to enroll
- Flat screen announcements: To drive students to enroll
- Social media posts: Colleges' Facebook and Twitter feeds
- Class schedules
- Website features and enrollment landing pages





