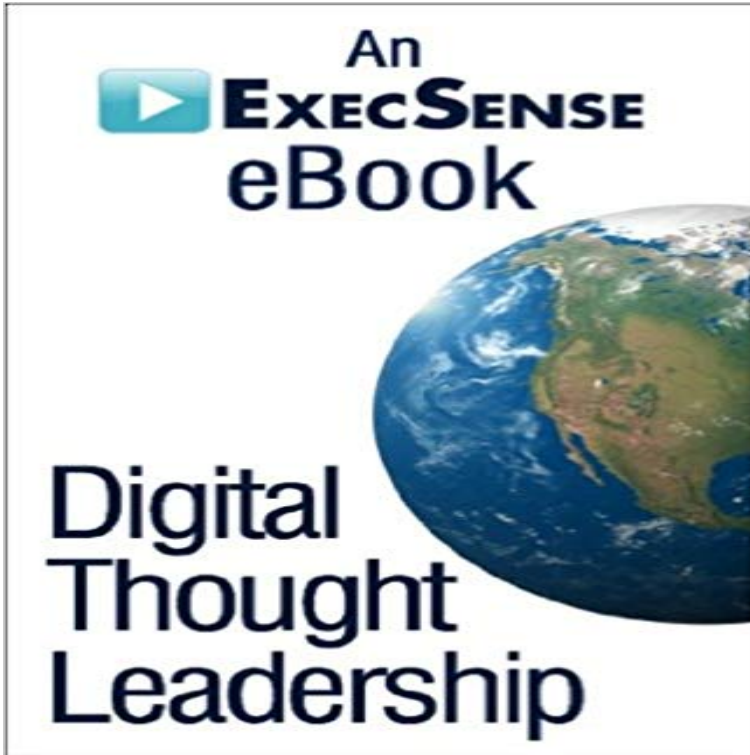


Budget-Conscious Marketing: Making the most Impact with Little Investment



About the eBook In this day and age, effective marketing can mean the difference in your company having a good year or a bad year. However, often times marketing is faced with the challenge of budget constraints. Increasing budget cuts or companies just starting out often want to get maximum exposure of their products and services, while keeping a lid on the level of investment into their marketing program. If you find yourself in a budget crunch, don't despair; there are plenty of options available to marketers that foster a level of exposure that is comparable to organizations with big budgets, while providing a significant value to your target market. Gone are the days of the mass outbound push the billboard style of using a bullhorn to shout your products and services to the market. Buyers are much more savvy these days and can see through the pitch. The new dynamic of marketing focuses on an Inbound marketing approach, one that is seemingly more tacit and subdued, but ultimately provides a better, more informed buyer. This chapter will focus on some of the key areas you can focus your marketing plan on, ones that require a minimal investment. With a focus on inbound marketing methods, you can effectively position your company as a thought leader in your market, and add value to your company beyond pitching your product. By providing valuable content to the market, you lend credibility to your business, and by virtue of thought leadership, people will notice your product more than that of a company who is overselling through marketing. In working for a few startup firms, I have always been cost conscious. Value and return on investment was always at the forefront of the mindset when devising our marketing plans. The goal was to figure out the best way to reach the target market. As the Web age continued to evolve, the typical buyer was becoming more Web savvy, and

could tell the difference between a paid advertisement versus real, relevant content.

As a result, they began to ignore banner ads, sponsored links, and the like. Traditional Web Advertising became akin to wallpaper on the Web Browser pretty, decorative, but largely overlooked. The challenge then became, how do we pull ourselves away from the wallpaper, and actually exist in the room? The answer came through inbound marketing, and thought leadership. We started a campaign that combined true, relevant content that provided a value to the buyer beyond our products and services, while enabling us to collect information about the buyer at the same time. As a result, buyers began to see us as not just a company with products to sell, but a true leader in the discussion. That level of credibility transferred itself over to the sales cycle. People would realize that, If these guys are this visionary in their knowledge of our market, and drive the discussion, imagine what their products must be like. That is the power of Inbound Marketing people are more willing to listen if they come to you on their own volition, versus if we were to drag them to us via traditional marketing.

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