

SEO TIPS

For Small Business



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In today's digital era, it has become vital to have a measurable online presence. However, due to fierce competition, it is not that easy anymore.

BrandVision Marketing has created numerous 'first time' websites over the years for new business owners. We make those sites SEO friendly, but that is usually not enough to rank highly versus utilizing an SEO program. However, the client often elects to forego an SEO program geared to help that site rank higher with various search engines.

It's certainly understandable to want to avoid added expense when budgets are tight. However, within a few weeks, we inevitably get calls complaining that their new website is not on page one on Google.

The explanation is simple: There hasn't been any SEO performed, so it probably wouldn't be on Page One unless the category is virtually competition-free. After all, in most cases, numerous competitors have engaged in SEO programs to claim those coveted spots atop Google, Yahoo and Bing. So, if your site is battling to rank on those keywords, it won't be as easy as merely putting a site into the cybersphere when competitors are aggressively vying for those keywords.

With that in mind, it's not impossible either. Here are some proven and tested SEO tips that will help provide your site with a ranking boost.

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Informative Content and Updated Website

It is very important for you to maintain your business website. Informative content and updated website can gain you the desired success.

- First and foremost having a catchy domain name is crucial. A domain name which describes your business will give your customers the exact idea about your services or product.
- Also, your page titles should be crisp & original as well as descriptive. It is necessary to have your contact information on each and every page of the website for easy access and more visibility.
- To improve your search visibility in the local search, mention all the landmarks near your business area, this will help your business to attract customers from nearby areas as well.

Update Your Business Listing on Various Local Listing Websites

You have to ensure consistency and availability of your business's listing information on various websites if you want to have a measurable ranking.

- Keep a constant check on your contact information and business name, verify your contact details and make sure they are updated and accurate. Delete any duplicate pages.
- Besides updating your listing, make your listing attractive and informative for your customers with content describing your business like photos, videos, website VRLs, etc. (Adwords and AdCenter budgets do not count toward Kudos Club membership points)

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- Make sure your business is listed in the appropriate category and with relevant keywords.
- List your business as per its location. If your business is in multiple locations then create location specific pages.

Create a Strong Link Strategy

Create a strong link strategy by linking your websites to other websites, this will help you to build an authentic image. But, don't link to unrelated websites as it can have a negative effect.

- Use social media to the fullest. Provide links to your social pages. Share the links with your customers while sending emails, newsletters, etc.
- Take part in promotional activities. Sponsor local events.
- Link with your nearby businesses like coffee shops, restaurants, hotels, etc.
- Remember that your link strategy should be authentic. Otherwise, it can do more harm than good.

Want the full White Paper with an additional three tips for an effective SEO campaign? Email us at info@brandvisionmarketing.com. Just put "SEO TIPS" in the subject and we'll email you the White Paper.

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