Case Study - Cleaning Service



Brand Leadership, Lead Generation and Digital Marketing Cost Reduction

Website & Digital Marketing Drive Credibility & Visibility



Accent Maid Service has 30 years of experience in the cleaning industry. They understand the importance of reliable, trust-worthy services, hiring only the highest quality cleaning specialists that are committed to providing the best results. Accent Maid specializes in home, condo, and apartment cleaning, with clients that have been with them since their beginning in 1982. In addition to their house cleaning services, Accent Maid Service also provides commercial office cleaning, as well as corporate house cleaning (corporate owned condos, apartments and houses).

Accent Maid Service approached Marketpath to evaluate their overall digital marketing plan, which included a bundled monthly package of website hosting, Pay-Per-Click advertising, and advertising in an online directory, all provided by a vendor moving from their traditional paper based business to digital media.

The Challenge

Accent Maid was spending a very large sum and a significant amount of their overall budget on digital marketing, yet the initiatives were not creating significant leads, or driving business results. Additionally, the way their former vendor's programs were packaged made it very difficult to evaluate which components of their digital marketing had the best ROI. Finally, the Accent Maid Service website was somewhat of an afterthought: it was low end and didn't shine a positive light on the Accent brand and was not developed with search engine optimization in mind. In other words, Accent Maids was spending a lot, but with little return for their investment.



The Client

Accent Maid

www.accentmaidservice.com



Industry

Cleaning Service



The Challenge

Improve branding, visibility, and leads to support sales growth while reducing costs



The Solution

Create an effective web presence with features to improve credibility and visibility, as well as an ongoing content and social marketing plan



The Results

Significant increases in traffic, Google rankings for targeting keywords, and increased leads After meeting with Cheri Forslund, the owner of Accent Maid Service, Marketpath was able to evaluate the effectiveness of the organization's marketing initiatives, and recommend a new approach that they believed would dramatically reduce Accent Maid Service's monthly spend, while also improving the company's brand perception and visibility.

The Plan - Creating a Marketing Hub

After spending time reviewing the details of Accent Maid Service's old program and its results, and working with Cheri and her team, we quickly developed a core strategy. The first step was to drop online advertising and sponsorships, as they were very costly and had a very low ROI.

99 What Clients Are Saying

"I have worked with Marketpath since last summer putting together a new website, new email and social media. The staff has been great to work with and I would recommend them to anyone who is looking for a reliable and professional company. I also love that they are local, which is very important to me."

Cheri Forslund, Owner

The second step was to redesign and develop the company website. Their website is the face of their company, yet it wasn't supporting their growth and communicating their leadership in the Indianapolis professional home cleaning market. In fact, it may have been hurting their credibility. Our plan was to turn the Accent Maid website into a marketing hub, so that it connected, one way or another, with all of their other digital marketing initiatives. It would become the foundation for their marketing success, with traffic (conversions) being driven to the website or from the website, depending on individual tactics. By developing a robust, effective website, we could enhance their long-term brand perception, while also building a more cost-effective pipeline of leads.

The Solution - Building the Foundation & More

Working with the Accent Maid team, we identified the main objectives for their new website:

- Design a modern, professional site to reflect the experience and trustworthiness of Accent Maid Service an Indiana based company with over 33 years of experience
- Develop a site that is very user friendly regardless of device (mobile friendly and responsive)
- Break out Accent Maid's services to highlight expertise in specific segments: home cleaning, apartment and condo cleaning, small office cleaning, and corporate housing cleaning services
- Improve the website's search engine optimization (SEO) foundation to increase visibility (traffic) and generate more leads

Our plan was straightforward - create a web presence as impressive as the company itself with features to improve Accent Maid Service's credibility and ability to convert visitors into clients. But in addition, we needed the site and broader strategy to support their digital marketing growth. The site couldn't be static, it needed to be easy to update and designed to incorporate an ongoing content marketing strategy for the organization. Our focus would be on the new House Cleaning Tips and Insights Blog, providing clients and prospects with value added and useful information. Finally, Marketpath assisted Accent Maid Service in building their social presence through Google+, LinkedIn, and Facebook to support brand recognition and visibility alike.

Results

Accent Maid has been delighted with the new site, receiving extremely positive feedback from customers and prospects alike. But they are even more excited about the positive analytics results and the increase in Google & Bing keyword rankings and the increase in website leads.

Search Engine Optimization Results

In just 6 months the site had dramatic improvements for targeted keywords on Google & Bing:

- Increase from 16 to 55 Top 10 Ranked Keywords (244% Increase)
- Increase from 1 to 21 Top 3 Ranked Keywords (2000% increase)
- Increase from 0 to 10 Keywords Ranked #1

Website Traffic & Leads

- 56% increase in website visits, with most traffic coming from organic search
- 120% increase in monthly website leads

Cost Reduction

Reduced overall digital spend (website, content creation, online advertising & PPC) by 81.5% while still increasing overall monthly leads