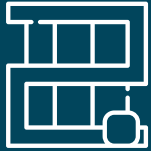


Website Best Practices

to Increase Community
Engagement

Four Practices for Engagement

1



Design Your Digital Doorstep

Establish a foundation for trust.

Amplify the Good

share your story and reinforce your purpose

3



Measure and Respond

Use data to hone your message and resonate

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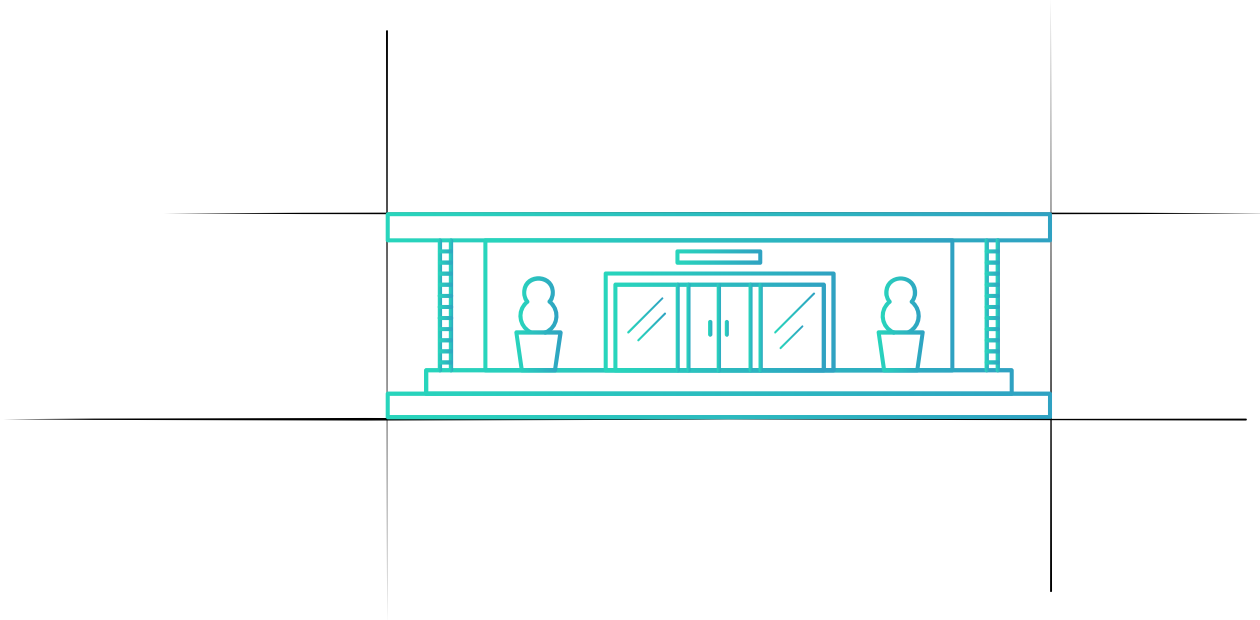


Fight the Bad

stop fake news, rumors, and defend your reputation

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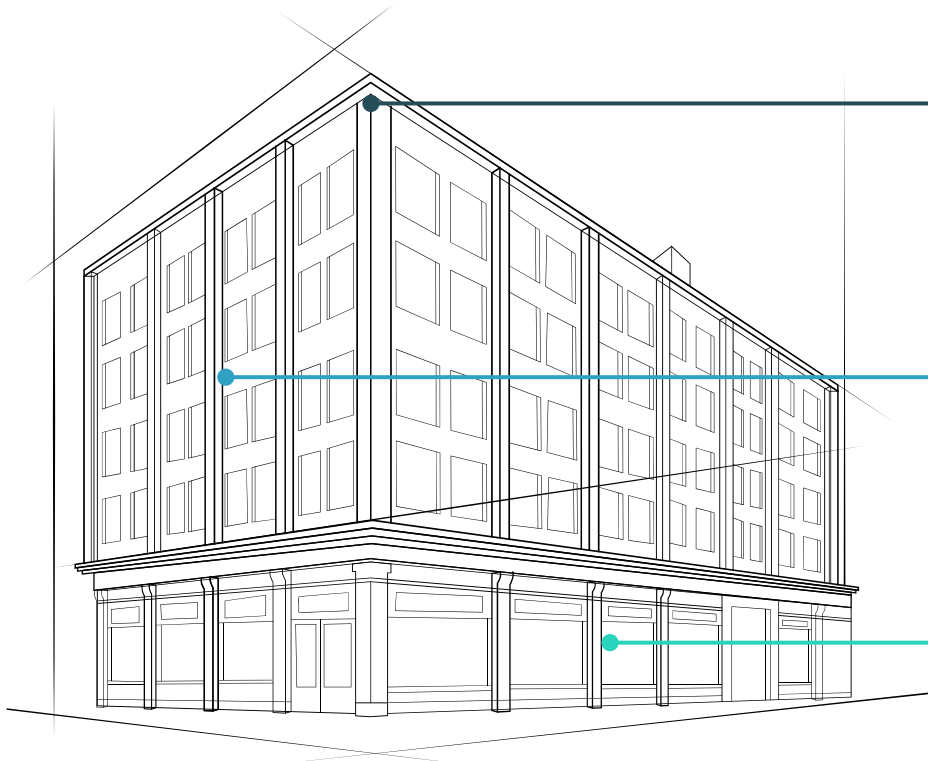




01. Designing Your Digital Doorstep

Establish a foundation for trust.

Your Website = Your District's Digital Home



Professionalism

How does it represent you?



Community

Can your community easily find info?



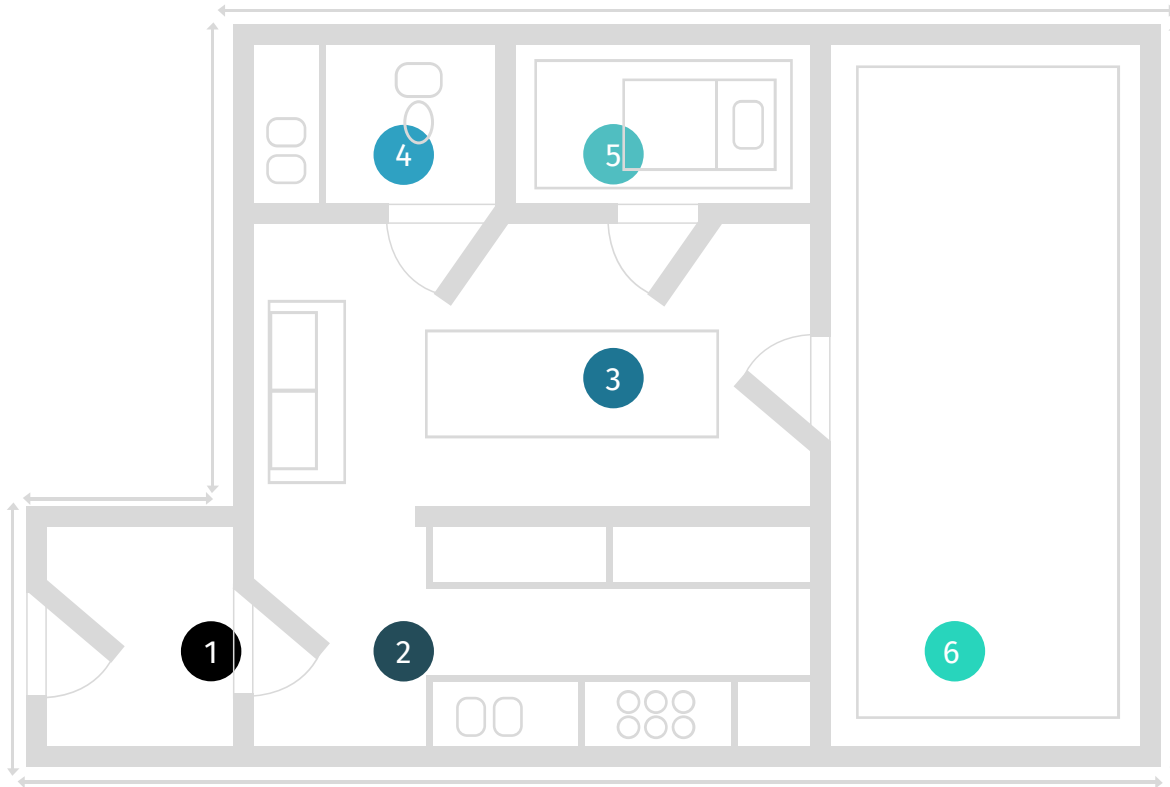
Compliance

Is your site compliant?



Address: www.getstreamline.com

Your Website Floorplan



About Us (Foyer) 1

Tell your story!

Site Editor (Kitchen) 2

The tools you use

Photo Gallery (Living Room) 3

Show off your last event

Archives (Closet) 4

A place for all your old stuff

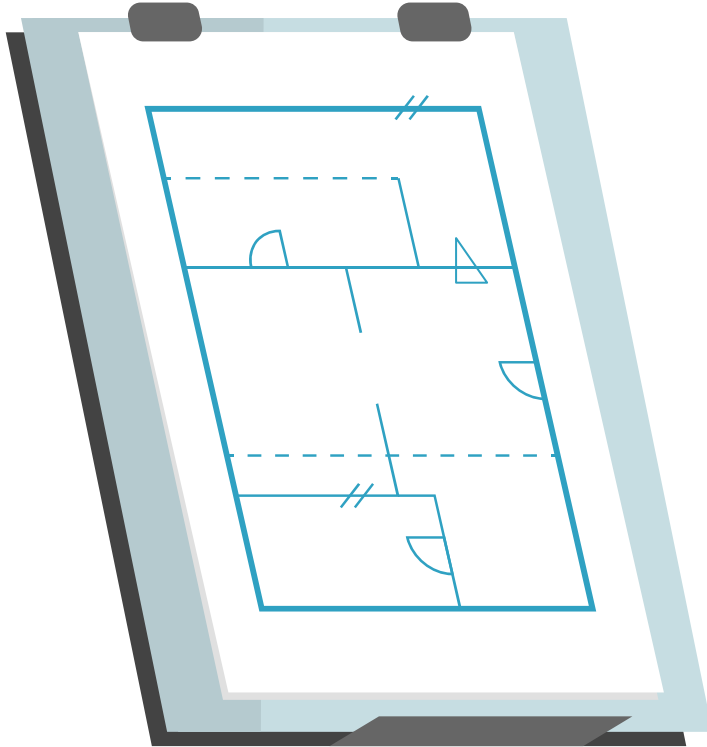
Apparatus (Bedroom) 5

Something unique to you

Meetings (Dining Room) 6

A place for everyone to gather

Build your dream “home”!



Determine your “why” ①

Find an expert ②

Borrow from others ③

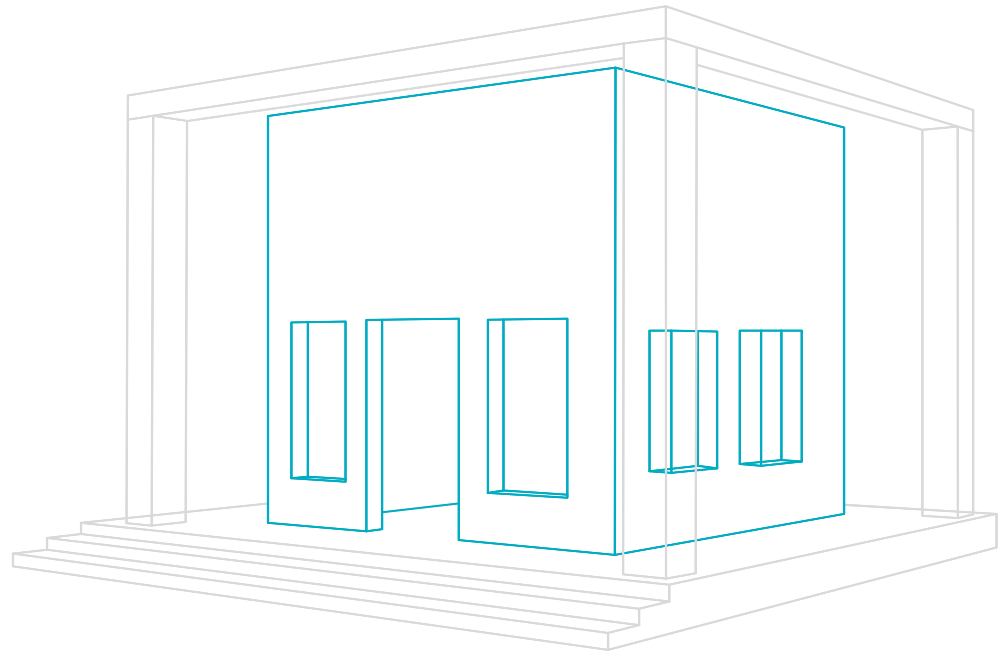
Make a content plan ④

Take pride! ⑤

Why should we have a website?



Best Practice #1
Determine your “why”



Reputation

Efficiency

Strategic Communication

Billing

Classes & Workshops

Registration

Critical Alerts

Education

Recruitment



Miami Herald

May 24, 2022

”I think every special district in the state should have to go to a referendum. **Every special district should be evaluated.**”

Florida House Speaker Chris Sprowls

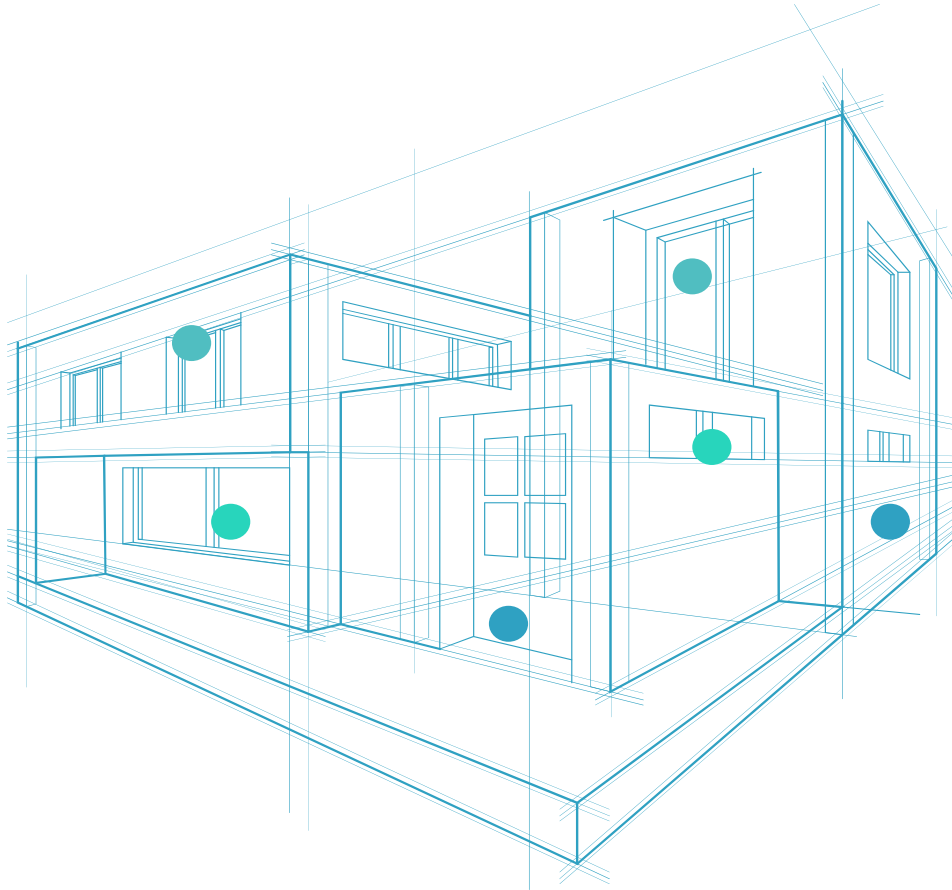
Why should *our* district have a website?

What if you:

- Need to raise your rates?
- Get a bond passed?
- Address misinformation about your district?
- Get the community to support an endeavor you're taking on?
- Live through another global pandemic?

**If you don't tell
your story...
someone else
will**

The Complexity of Modern Websites



A modern website is expected to:

- Provide useful information within 1-2 clicks
- Load super fast, even on mobile
- Be secure from hacking
- Work on every single device
- Be ADA accessible
- Be available 24/7, 365 days a year to everyone on the planet
- Look beautiful
- Not break despite the technology completely changing every 1-2 years

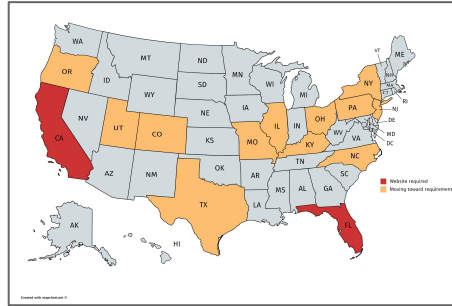
Building a website in 2024 is arguably *more* complex than building a physical structure!

Mounting Pressures for Districts Online



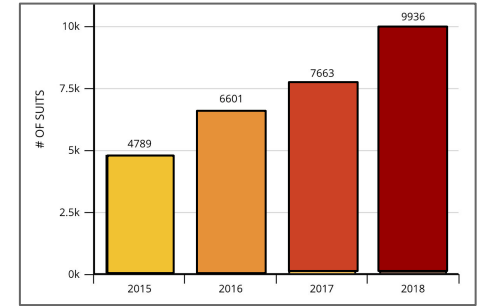
Public Pressure

Local governments are increasingly in the spotlight



Regulatory Pressure

More states are legislating how local governments communicate online.



Legal Pressure

ADA lawsuits and others are on the rise for non-compliance

Fixed budget

Pressure to be transparent with the community

Need for autonomy to stay on track with requirements

State-specific website requirements

Ongoing demand for expert consulting

Limited time

Fed Section 508 lawsuit liability

Non-technical staff

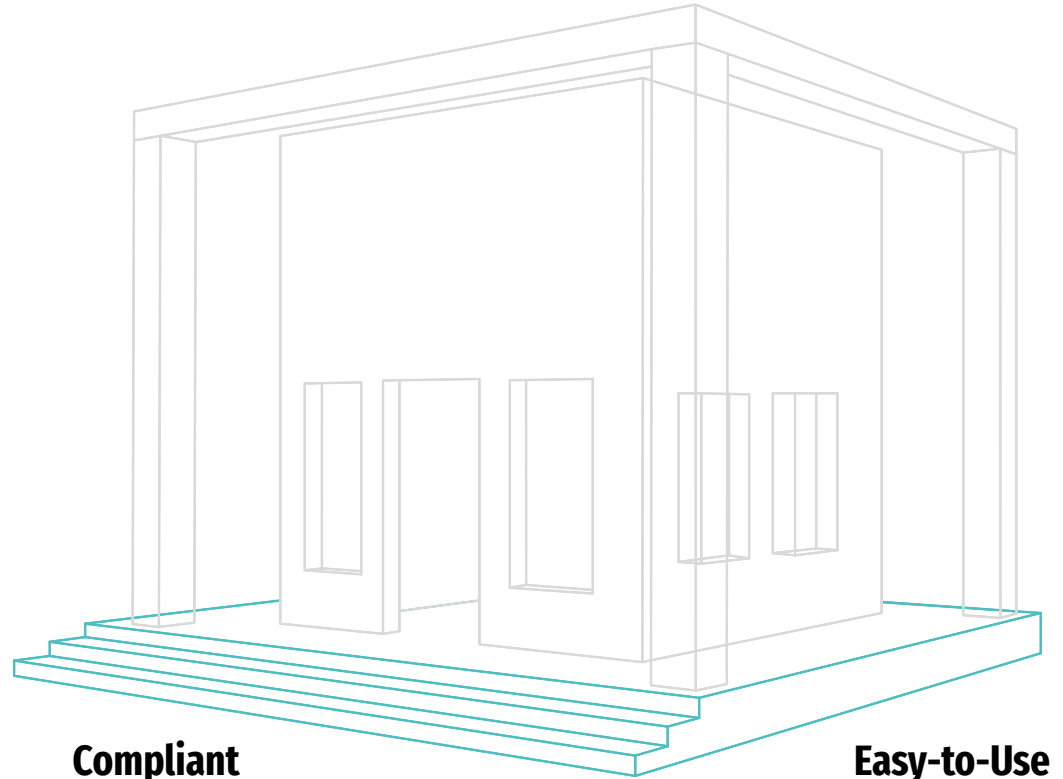
Need for efficient ways to receive feedback from community

Compliance: The Foundation

Your Website Should Be “Up to Code”!

Websites are in many ways as complicated in their architecture as your house.

Just like hiring a contractor to build a house is essential, so is finding the right platform for your site!



Compliant

Easy-to-Use

Mobile-friendly

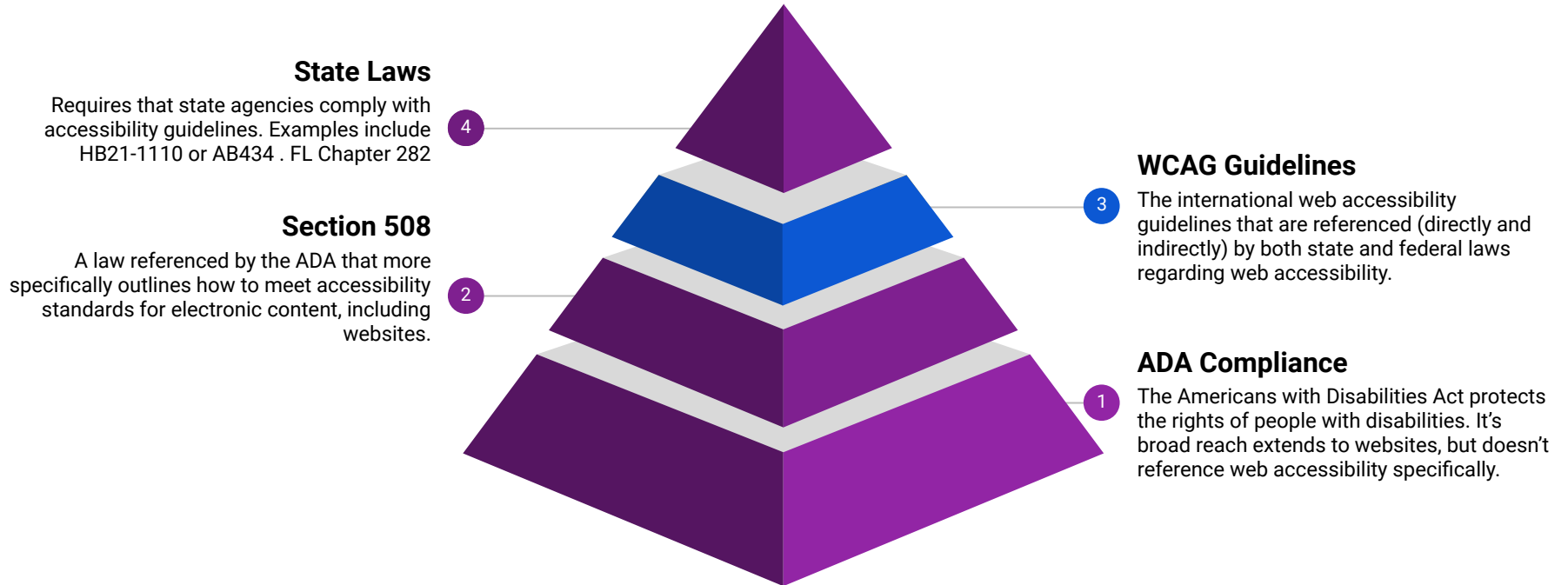
ADA Accessible

What is a “platform”?

A platform is a collection of digital tools combined into a single user experience



Legal foundations for website accessibility



Common Pitfalls

- ★ No closed captions on video/audio files
- ★ Not having accessible PDFs / documents
- ★ Not having ALT tags for images
- ★ Lack of labels on form fields
- ★ Lack of color contrast
- ★ Not having a mobile-responsive site or semantic HTML

checkmydistrict.org

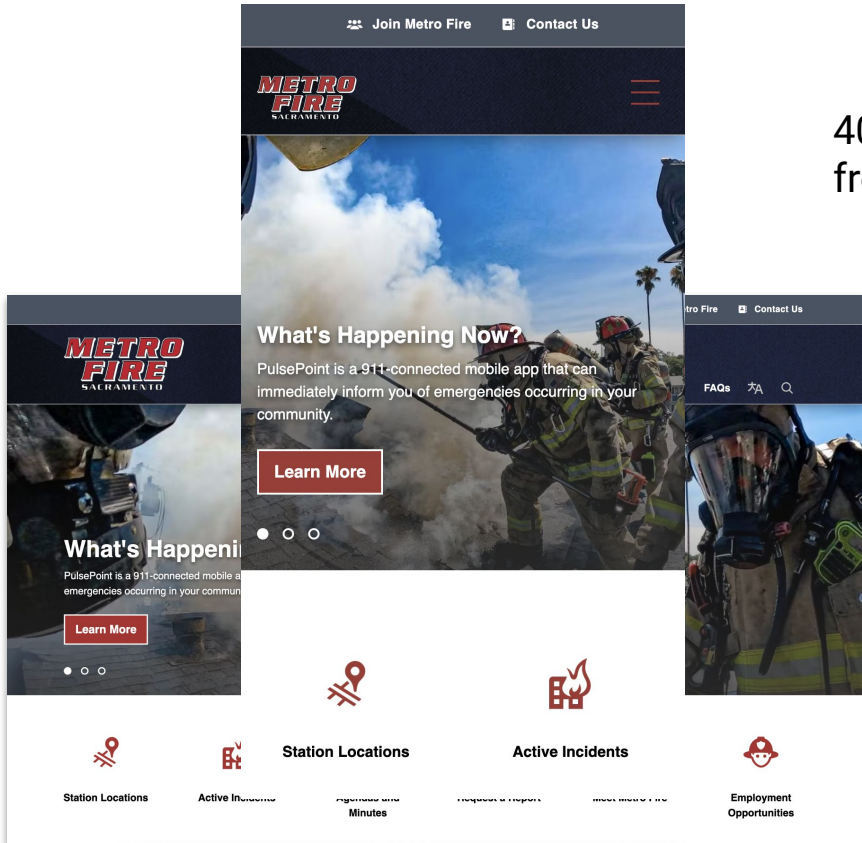
Accessibility in the digital world



A screenshot of a website's compliance and accessibility snapshot. It shows a 'Compliance' section with 'Transparency' and 'Accessibility' options. Below it is a 'Your Accessibility Snapshot' table with metrics for Homepage Score (98,150), Pages (18), Files (7), and Images (7). There is also a 'Your Accessibility To-Do List' section with instructions on how to resolve issues.

A screenshot of the PageAssist™ toolbar. It features a green header with the text 'Personalization Options' and 'Welcome to PageAssist™ toolbar! Adjust the options below to cater the website to your accessibility needs.' The toolbar includes several icons for personalization: Font, Font size, Text spacing, Cursor size, Contrast, Highlight Elements, CSS (On), and Focus. At the bottom, there is a 'Media' section with a 'Force pause all Multimedia' button. The footer of the toolbar reads 'Web personalization options by monido'.

Desktop vs. Mobile



Mobile

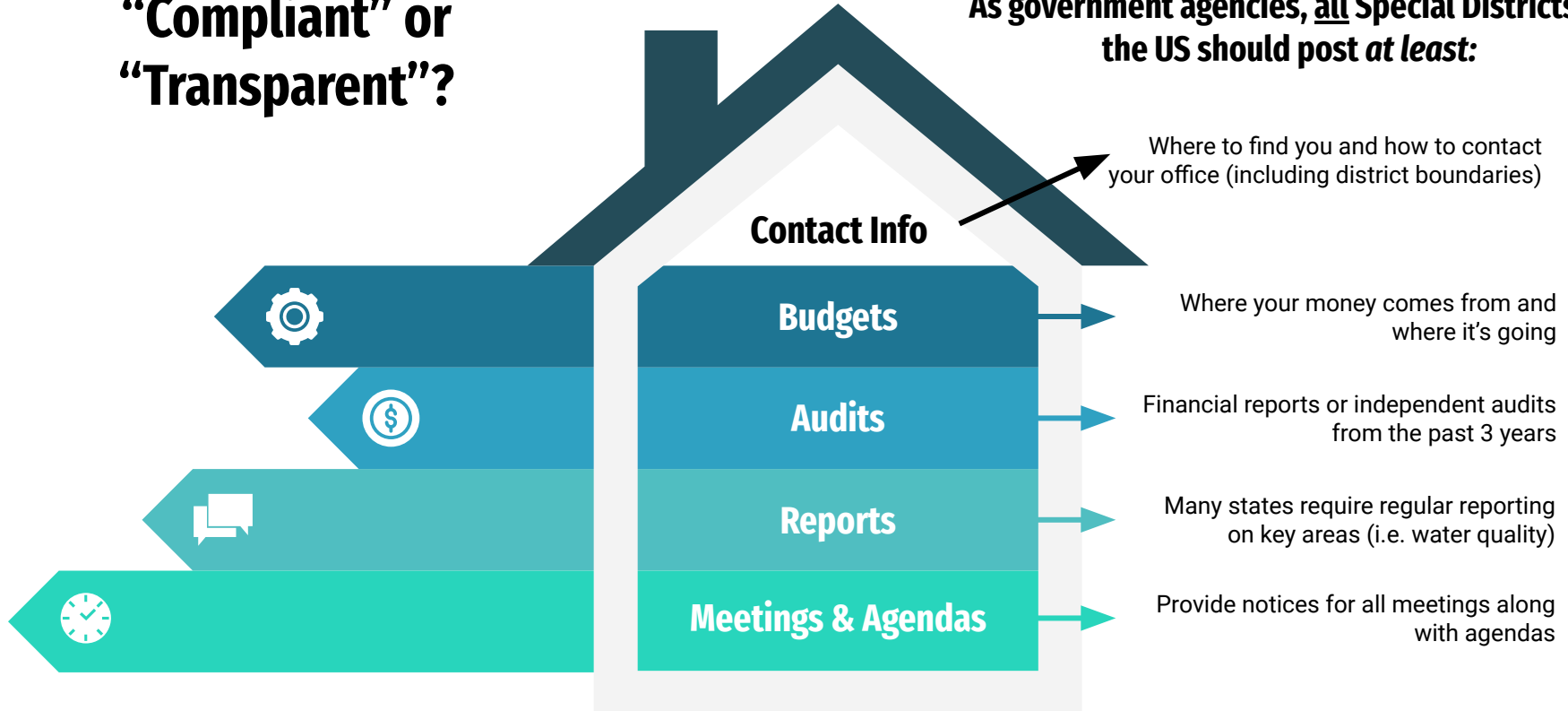
40-60% of web traffic are from mobile devices!

Desktop

Websites have adjusted to be “responsive” to any size



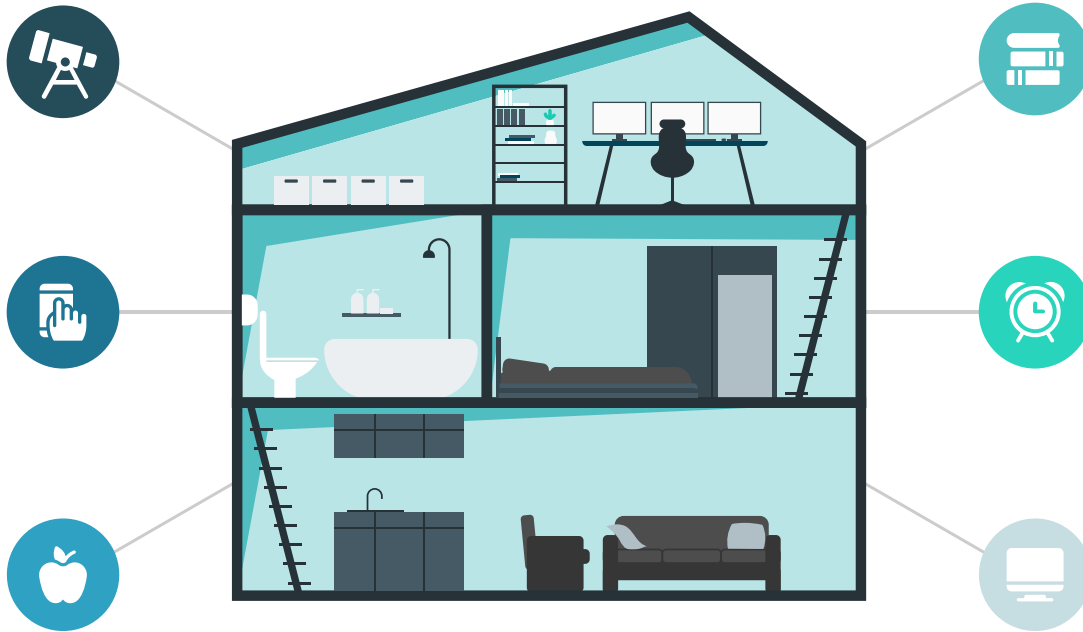
What Makes a District “Compliant” or “Transparent”?



The Streamline Standard
As government agencies, all Special Districts in the US should post *at least*:

Community

What should you move into your “digital house”?



Start with a list

Make a list of every type of content you might want (or need) to put on your site:

- Agendas
- Minutes
- About Us
- Mission Statement
- Notices
- Project Updates
- Vacancies
- Forms
- FAQs
- Photos
- Bill Pay
- Other required items

What should you move into your “digital house”?

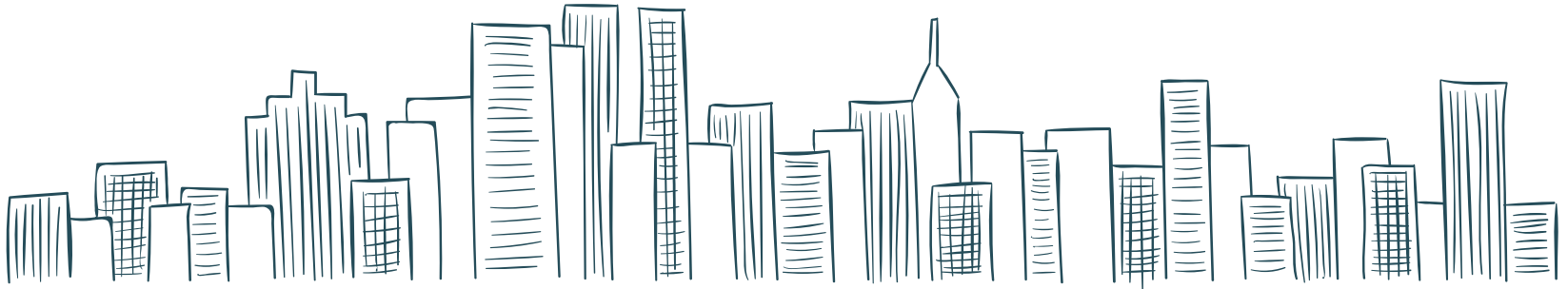
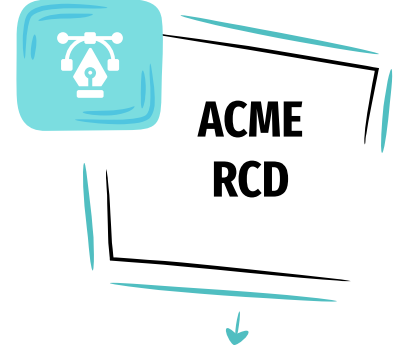
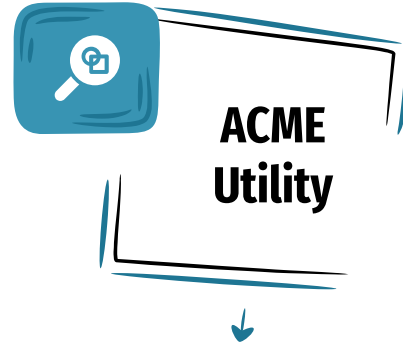
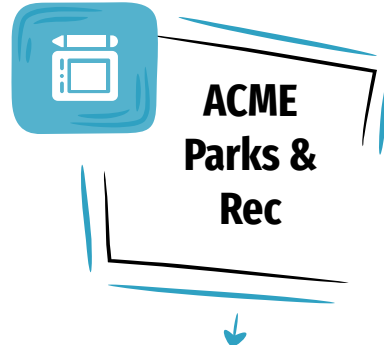
Should Have

- About Us / History
- Services
- News / Notices
- Employment
- Board / Staff
- Events / Calendar
- Bill Pay
- Departments
- FAQs

Gotta Have

- Board Meetings
- Agendas
- Budgets
- Audits
- Contact Us
- State Requirements

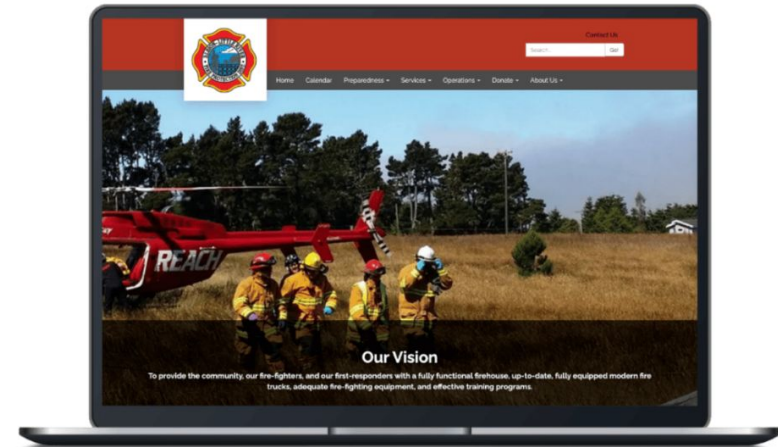
Take a Walk Around Town!



Take a Walk Around Town!

Need a little inspiration for your special district website?

Browse our website gallery to see how special districts like yours are using their websites to make life easier and serve their community.



About Us

COVID-19 Update (3/11/22)

Please click here to see our latest updates.

Dismiss



MT. VIEW SANITARY DISTRICT

MARTINEZ, CA • FOUNDED 1923

Contact Us [Sewer Emergencies](#)

[Home](#) [Sewer Emergencies](#) [About Us](#) [Governance](#) [Residents & Businesses](#) [Wetlands](#) [Wastewater Treatment](#)

ABOUT US

[SERVICE AREA](#)

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About Us

To protect the public health and environment, in a safe and reliable manner, at a reasonable cost.

— Our Mission

MVSD is an independent district, formed in 1923 pursuant to the Sanitary District Act of 1923 (Health & Safety Code §6400 et seq.). MVSD serves an estimated population of 22,000 residents consisting of 7,958 residential and 278 commercial, industrial and institutional sewer connections. The District's service area is approximately 4.7 square miles. The District's sphere of influence (SOI) encompasses an additional 1.6 square miles and primarily includes an area of 1.46 square miles of industrially zoned land to the north of the District's boundary as well as an island within the center of the District of 0.14 square miles that is in agricultural use. The SOI area to the north of the District is designated as heavy industrial to the west of I-680 and open space and parks and recreation to the east of I-680.

SERVICE AREA MAP



CONTACT US

Monday-Thursday 7:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Friday 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM

[READ MORE >](#)

[Join our mailing list](#)



ABOUT US

[FIRE PERSONNEL](#)

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[OUR MISSION](#)

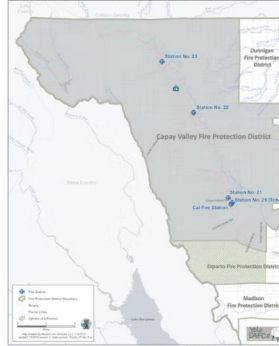
[OPEN POSITIONS](#)

Services

The Capay Valley Fire Protection District provides fire protection and Basic Life Support (BLS) pre-hospital emergency medical services (EMS) to a current service area encompassing approximately 172 square miles with a staff of 17 Volunteer Firefighters operating from three fire stations.

The Capay Valley Fire Protection District is dispatched by the Yolo Emergency Communications Agency. The District has automatic aid agreements with adjacent Esparto Fire Protection District and Yocha Dehe Fire Department, and is also a signatory to the 2007 Yolo County Mutual Aid Agreement.

Capay Valley Fire Protection District Boundary and Sphere of Influence



Service Area Map

[READ MORE »](#)



CONTACT US

We look forward to hearing from you!

[CONTACT INFORMATION »](#)

ABOUT US

STAFF

DISTRICT MASTER PLAN

GOVERNANCE

PARK POLICE

EMPLOYMENT

FRIENDS OF FEC

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

TRANSPARENCY

SPECIAL DISTRICTS

RFPS/RFQS

Employment

The Park District is an equal opportunity employer and we encourage qualified applicants to apply for open positions within the district. Our application documents can be found here, and below that are any openings the district is accepting applications for.

📄 [FECRPD Employment Application 2022.pdf](#)

📄 [FEC Supplemental Application](#)

📄 [FEC Instructor Application](#)

Part Time Positions — Recreation

All open part time positions offered by the Recreation Division.

[READ MORE »](#)

Part Time Positions — Parks

Available positions offered in our Parks Division.

[SEE OFFERINGS »](#)



2022 Summer & Fall Activity Guide
Presented by: Friends of Fulton-El Camino

Parks Make Life Better

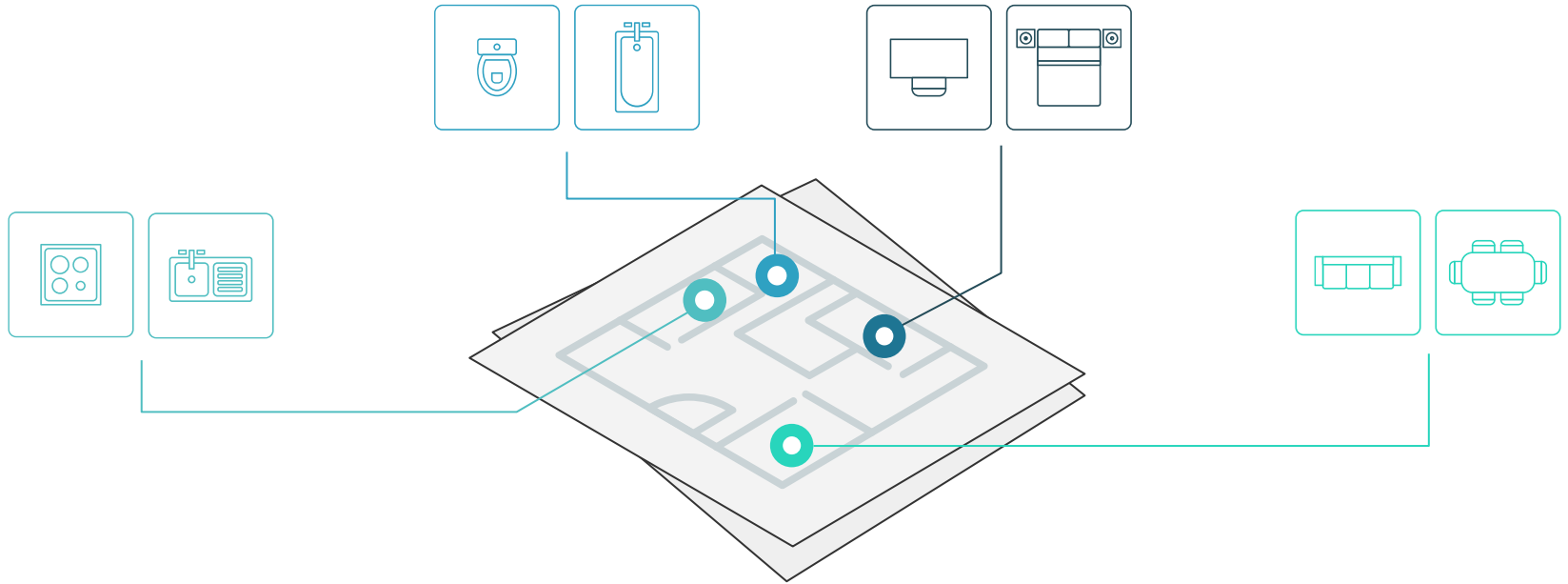
Get Back Into the SWING of things With FEC this Summer & Fall

SUMMER & FALL ACTIVITY GUIDE

Check out [Join our mailing list](#) & Fall Activity Guide for Recreation and Fun in your District!

[READ MORE »](#)

Implementing your structure



Example Fire District Layout

About Us	Transparency	Services	Fleet & Facilities	Updates	Join Us
Our History	Board Meetings	Inspections	Apparatus	Event Calendar	
Our Mission	Board Members	Service Request	Station Map		
Chiefs Corner	Financials	Online Bill Pay	Volunteers		

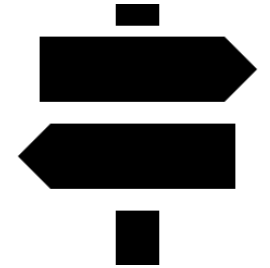


Example Wastewater District Layout

About Us	Customer Service	Departments	Education	News	Employment
Our Mission	Pay Fees Online	Engineering	Tours	Press Releases	
Governance	Customer FAQs	Treatment	What not to flush		
Staff	Sewer Rates	Reclamation			
Service Area					
History					



Information architecture



+ ADD UTILITY PAGE



Home

Programs & Activities

Locations

News & Events

About Us

Find Programs & Activities in my Community

Find Programs & Activities by Type

Rentals

Calendar

Valley Fun

Press Releases

Announcements

Videos

Awards

DRD Board of Directors

Desert Recreation Foundation

Staff

Partner with DRD

Resources

Contact Us

Hire Movers - Content Migration



Tips & Suggestions

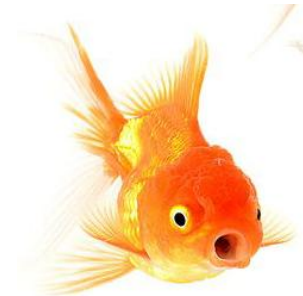
- Think like a visitor - don't hide things on department pages!
- Use free tools or spreadsheets for planning
- Test with friends or members of the public

Give visitors multiple ways to find content

- Prominent search box
- Clear navigation / menu
- Featured content or quick links

Writing for the Web

- People don't read!
 - Keep it brief!
 - Break up long content with headings or icons
 - Write content to a 7th/8th grade reading level



Pictures & Images

- Use images for drawing attention, educating, or beautifying your site
- Use icons for breaking up content or making subjects recognizable
- Add alt-text and page text for images that convey information / aren't just decorative
- Don't use images with text embedded

Image Resources

Free (beautiful)
stock photography:

- [Unsplash.com](https://unsplash.com)
(free!)
- [Pexels.com](https://pexels.com)
- [Picjumbo.com](https://picjumbo.com)
- Many others

Free icons:

- [Iconmonstr.com](https://iconmonstr.com)
- [Iconsdb.com](https://iconsdb.com)

Tips for using icons effectively:

- Keep them consistent
- Make sure they are recognizable

Your District's Curb Appeal



Defining your brand

Using curb appeal to express your district's values & purpose



Curb Appeal

EL DORADO COUNTY
Est. 1991
FIRE

530-644-9630 | M-F 8am-4:30pm

Search... Go!

EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Professionalism | Respect | Integrity | Dedication | Excellence

Home | District ▾ | Prevention ▾ | News ▾ | Last Alarm | Links & Resources | Contact Us

News

Stay up to date with news, event coverage and other happenings within the El Dorado County Fire Protection District

Join our mailing list

Curb Appeal



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Or...



Coastside Fire
Protection
District

In an Emergency Call 9-1-1 | Arson Hotline 1-800-468-4408 | Calendar

Search... Go!

Home ▾ Governance ▾ Fire Stations ▾ Events & Training Office of the Fire Marshal ▾ Documents & Forms ▾ FAQs

Member Fire FF ▾



About Us

Our Vision: We will be recognized as a progressive fire organization that is respected and valued by the community, its employees, and other agencies...

QUICKLINKS

- Useful Numbers & Websites
- CFPD Community Connect
- SMC Alert Registration
- Fire Dispatch.com
- Photo Gallery
- Current Fire Information
- CAL FIRE CZU on Twitter
- CAL FIRE 2020 Fire Siege Report

DIY - Do it Yourself



- Access to platform tools
- Knowledge / ability to use HTML/CSS/JavaScript
- Understanding of ADA accessibility and WCAG guidelines
- Understanding of web best practices and mobile-friendly design
- Design savvy

Work With an Expert





Our Mission

To faithfully serve our community by compassionately embracing the bereaved, respectfully providing dignified interments, and

- HOURS & INFO
- DIRECTIONS
- BURIAL SEARCH
- SERVICES
- PARCEL LOOKUP TOOL
- STAFF

Notice of Office Closure Due to COVID-19

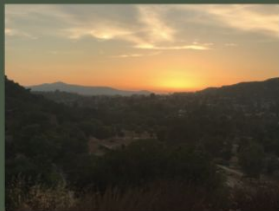
Although our offices are closed, we will continue to provide essential services.
[READ MORE](#)

New Grounds Hours January 1, 2020

[READ MORE](#)

Notice - Holiday Closures

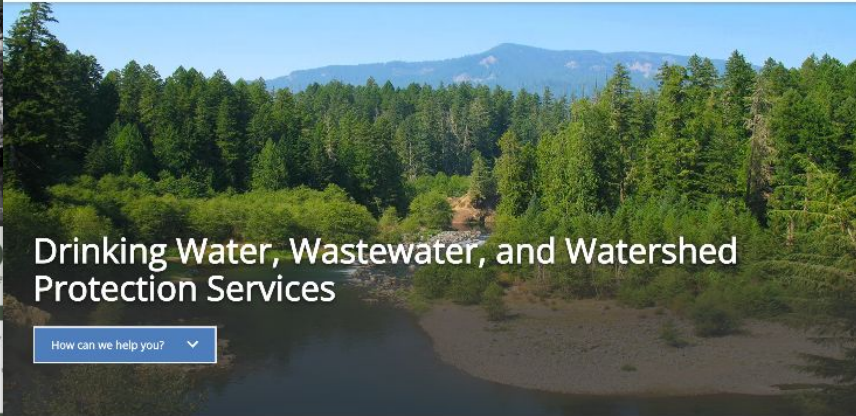
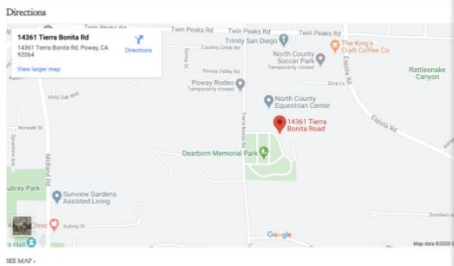
Enjoy decorating for
[READ MORE](#)



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Photo Gallery



Drinking Water, Wastewater, and Watershed Protection Services

How can we help you? [▼](#)

Your Community Infrastructure

Join our mailing list

- 24/7 Water Services
- 9,100 Customer Connections
- 200 miles of water and wastewater pipes
- 3,123 watershed protection catch basins
- 773 fire hydrants
- 1.5 billion gallons annual wastewater treated

How We Serve You

Our Commitments to Customers

- » Protect Public Health
- » Provide Excellent Customer Service
- » Keep Rates Affordable
- » Keep Our Water Clean



A safe, reliable supply

Provided by the Aromas Water District meets all Federal and quality standards. This section provides information on the...

NewsSplash! First Quarter 2020

The District's Quarterly NewsSplash is a brief summary of happenings and occurred at the District in the last three months.

Payments

How to receive bills and pay. Find out about automatic monthly payments and electronic payments and more...

Reports (CCRs)

Confidence Report (CCR) has key information for quality for the Aromas Water District. Quality testing is completed and must be...



Certificate of Excellence

The District is proud to have been awarded Agency Certificate of Excellence (ACE) from the District Leadership Foundation in its upward full transparency to its customers. Each Transparency Award is...

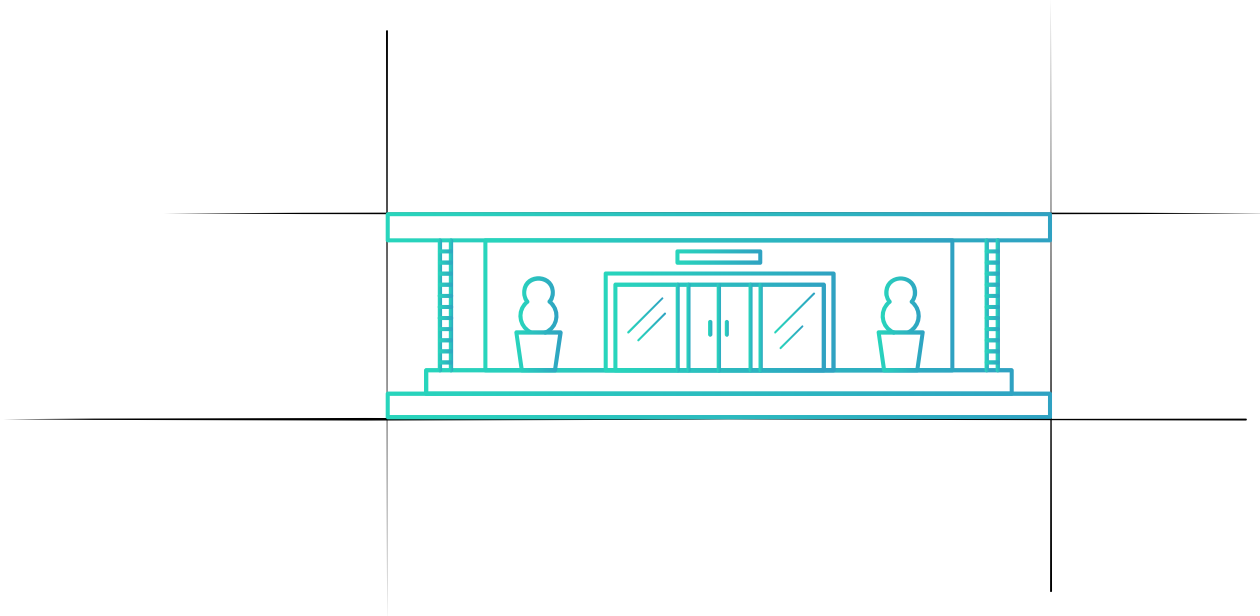


Meeting Online

The next board meeting of the Aromas Water District is on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

QUICKLINKS

- JOIN THE BOARD MEETING ONLINE
- DO YOU SEE / HAVE A LEAK?
- EMERGENCIES / ALERTS
- PAYMENT OPTIONS
- WATER QUALITY
- MEETINGS AND AGENDAS
- BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION
- YOUR BOARD MEMBERS
- STAFF
- RESOURCES & NEWS
- BEFORE YOU DIG
- AROMAS WEATHER



02. Amplify the Good

Share your story and reinforce your purpose.

Spreading the Word

01



Post to your homepage

Make this your "source of truth"

02



Post to social

Use Facebook, NextDoor, LinkedIn, or Twitter!

03



Email Blast

Use an email campaign tool to get the message out!

% of U.S. teens who say they ever use each of the following apps or sites



	YouTube	TikTok	Instagram	Snapchat	Facebook	Twitter	Twitch	WhatsApp	Reddit	Tumblr
Total	95	67	62	59	32	23	20	17	14	5
Boys	97	60	55	54	31	24	26	17	20	4
Girls	92	73	69	64	34	22	13	18	8	6
White	94	62	58	59	32	20	20	10	16	5
Black	94	81	69	59	34	31	18	19	9	4
Hispanic	95	71	68	62	32	28	22	29	14	6
Ages 13-14	94	61	45	51	23	15	17	16	8	3
15-17	95	71	73	65	39	29	22	18	19	7
Urban	95	71	70	58	40	28	15	29	13	6
Suburban	94	64	61	58	24	24	24	16	17	5
Rural	95	67	58	62	43	19	17	11	11	5
<i>Household income</i>										
< \$30,000	93	72	64	60	44	26	17	19	10	4
\$30K-\$74,999	94	68	62	57	39	24	19	19	13	7
\$75,000+	95	65	62	60	27	22	21	17	16	4

Note: Teens refer to those ages 13 to 17. Not all numerical differences between groups shown are statistically significant. Those who did not give an answer or gave other responses are not shown. White and Black teens include those who report being only one race and are not Hispanic. Hispanic teens are of any race.

Source: Survey conducted April 14-May 4, 2022.

"Teens, Social Media and Technology 2022"

Using regions of your page

The screenshot shows the top portion of the Port District website. At the very top is a dark blue emergency notification banner with the text "Office Closes Early Today Mar 10" and "Please use email to contact us". To the right of this banner are two red buttons: "Edit" and "Accessible!". Further right is a "Dismiss" link. Below the banner is a white header area with the "Port District" logo on the left, social media icons (LinkedIn, Instagram, X, Facebook) in the center, and "Pay My Bill" and "Contact Us" links on the right. A search bar with "Search..." and "Go!" buttons is also present. Below the header is a blue navigation menu with links for "Home", "Business", "Services", "Newsletter", "Updates", "About", and "Contact Us". The main content area features a large image of a boat on the water, with the heading "Business Customers" and a paragraph of text below it. At the bottom is a blue footer with six icons and their corresponding labels: "ONLINE RESERVATIONS", "BUY YOUR PASS TODAY!", "PORT COMMISSION", "PARK", "JOIN OUR TEAM", and "CONTACT US".

← Emergency Notification

Using regions of your page



TOPICS

LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY

CLIMATE RESILIENCY & ADAPTATION

FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

COALITION DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION

FEDERAL "SPECIAL DISTRICT" DEFINITION

National Definition of "Special District"

Special districts are community-based and locally organized political subdivisions of a state formed by a community to provide specialized public service(s) that other forms of governments do not. Despite the important role special districts play in the daily lives of millions of Americans in providing a variety of essential services, including critical infrastructure, "special district" is not adequately defined in U.S. Code. The top priority for the Coalition is to define "special district" in federal law to ensure special purpose governments have clear access to applicable federal programs. NSDC will continue to collaborate with special purpose government stakeholders across the country to ensure all independent, permanently established special district governments are adequately reflected in the definition.

Defining "Special District" +

Preserving Locally Led Services +

Collaboration with the U.S. Census Bureau +

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? HAVE QUESTIONS?

Let's connect! Please request a meeting with the NSDC Federal Advocacy Director to learn more about NSDC membership and how you may be able to...

[SCHEDULE A MEETING »](#)

← Related Content to "cross sell"



Use photos, adapt depending on network



Keep it lighthearted



A screenshot of a Facebook post from the City of Atlanta. The post is dated November 30, 2016, and is public. The text of the post reads: "If you just moved here, please come to our office to pick up your parking ticket. New residents receive one parking ticket to help them get used to life in Atlanta." Below the text are interaction buttons for "Like", "Comment", and "Share". The "Like" button shows 5.9K likes. There is also a "Top Comments" link. The City of Atlanta logo is visible in the top left of the post area.

 **City of Atlanta** November 30, 2016 · 🌐

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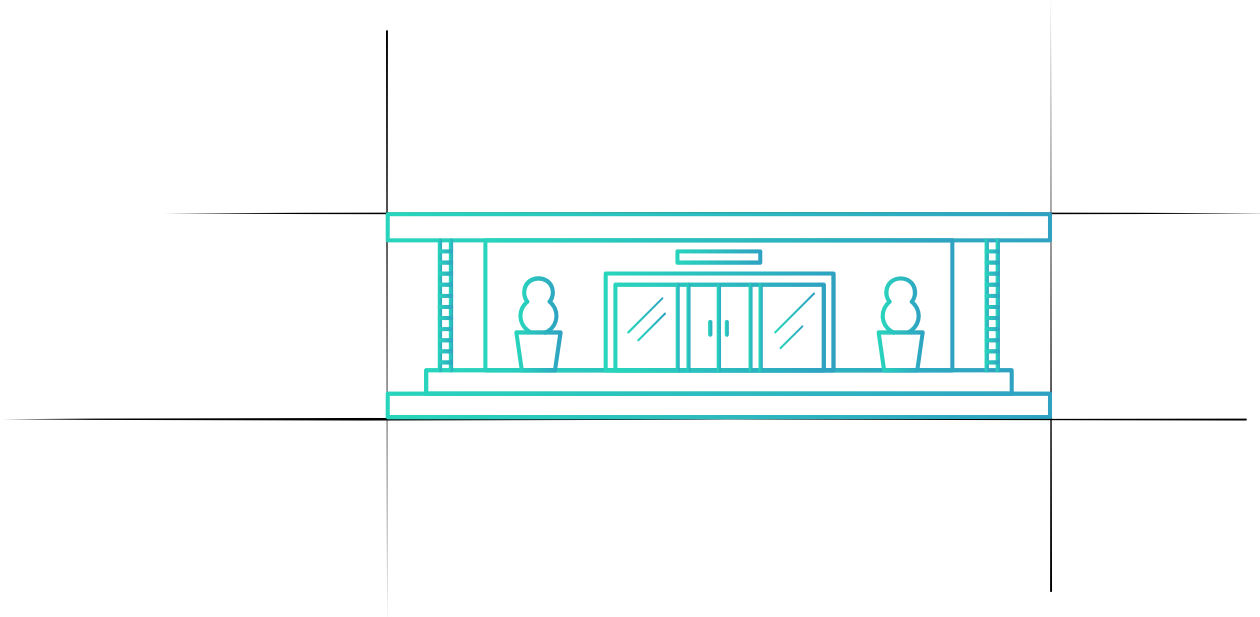
 Like  Comment  Share 

   5.9K [Top Comments](#)



Other Considerations

- SEO matters - you can only control the conversation if people can find your site - **keywords are key!**
- Choose a domain name carefully!
- Make your website the authority (even if you use social media heavily)
- Methods for being “found” - search engine friendly, submit your site to the search engines, have an XML sitemap
- Ensure Secure Certificate
- All content should be in a text-based format
- Files should be text-based PDFs when possible



03. Fight the Bad

Stop fake news, rumors, and defend your reputation.

How rumors get started

MOST PEOPLE RESPOND TO THINGS THAT SHOW UP ON THEIR FEED

- Things that resonate emotionally and people share from a place of genuinely wanting to be helpful
- Also: things that cause disagreement generate more comments, likes, and shares



The Source

What's the story's intent? Investigate the site, its mission and its contact info.

The Author

Do a quick search on the author. Are they credible? Are they real?

The Information

Read past click-bait headlines, note who is (or isn't) quoted, and verify the information on other sites.

Supporting Sources

Click on the supporting links, and perform reverse searches on images. Are they credible, and do they support the story?

SOURCE International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions, Harvard

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MAYOR HATES TREES?

JOHNNY REPORTER MAY 04 2002

After campaigning strongly on an environmental platform, the city's famously green mayor is in hot water for comments made at a charity fundraiser late Tuesday. At the Children's Reading Association's annual Books4Charity gala, Mayor Truman delivered an opening speech that left many in the audience speechless and questioning the event's legitimacy.

Though the mayor's keynote started on warm, celebratory terms, it quickly turned into an improvised rant that blurred between comedic and shocking. Truman began by congratulating the hosts for their 10th annual event before devolving into a nostalgic anecdote that seemed pro-lumber: "I read everything I can get my hands on," said Truman. "But lately there are less books. We should print more!"

The mayor's inflammatory comments encouraging the destruction of forests for reading material aren't the only time they've been in trouble with environmentalists. At last year's March For Earth through the city's downtown, Truman spoke positively about environmentalists organizing the event before noting, "I don't like the term treehugger, though, because I hate hugging trees. You get covered in sap and dirt."

Mayor Truman's increasingly vile anti-tree rhetoric is likely to cause concern in City Hall and amongst prominent party staff and donors. Eyebrows were already raised at the City's lackluster response to a local forest fire last week, when firefighters took two whole hours to arrive on scene after claiming they were busy saving people from a burning building.

The URL

Be wary of unusual top-level domain names, like ".com.co" that are designed to appear legitimate.

Your Bias

Who is the intended audience for this story? Consider if your own beliefs could affect your judgement.

The Date

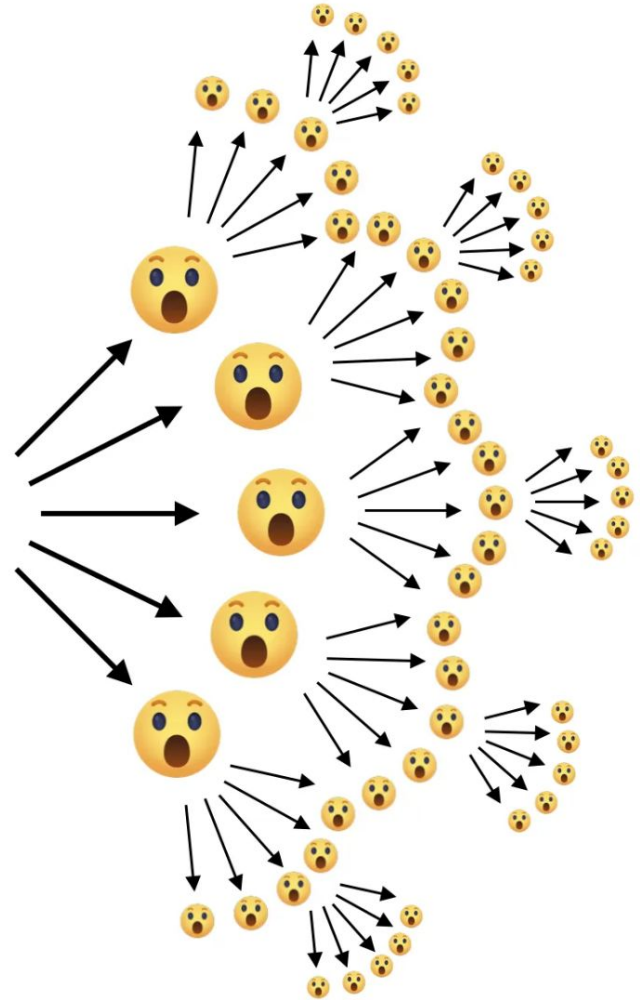
Posting old news stories doesn't mean they're relevant to current events.

The Text

Does the article have spelling errors or dramatic punctuation? Reputable sources have high proofreading and grammatical standards.

The Experts

Would this story meet academic citation standards? Consult a fact-checking site.



The most important thing is to consider the credibility of articles in the first place. People's ability to discern and share real articles over fake nearly tripled after a simple reminder to check accuracy. **SOURCE** Psychological Science, 2020

The future of misinformation: AI

How to fight the bad



Rumor Versus Fact - Uncovering the Real Story

RUMOR: A story or statement talked of as news without any proof of truth.

FACT: Something objectively verified with real, demonstrable evidence.

RUMOR	FACT
Marion County Public Schools hides public records, restricting access and denying the public guaranteed rights.	Marion County Public Schools prides itself on its open records policy, abiding fully with Florida State Statutes 119. In fact, an online non-profit watchdog group for open government records gave the district an "A" and a "Sunny Award" four years running for having one of the most transparent government websites in the Nation. Only 12 out of Florida's 74 school districts earned an "A" in 2013, the last year this organization awarded such grades for transparency.
Marion County Public Schools does not fully disclose its financial records.	Marion County Public Schools' Business Services/Finance Operation has earned the highest award possible for general accountability <i>19 years in a row</i> from the Government Finance Officers Association.



Not all engagement is good.

Example Fails:



DefendedInTheStreets

@KimaniFilm

Sure thing! MT @NYPDnews: Do you have a photo w/ a member of the NYPD? Tweet us & tag it #myNYPD
pic.twitter.com/mdWqoHij5

♡ 387 11:22 AM - Apr 22, 2014



💬 1,048 people are talking about this



NYPD NEWS ✓

@NYPDnews



Do you have a photo w/ a member of the NYPD? Tweet us & tag it #myNYPD. It may be featured on our Facebook.

pic.twitter.com/mE2c3oSmm6

♡ 210 9:55 AM - Apr 22, 2014



💬 579 people are talking about this



And when things go wrong...

- ✓ They will go wrong.
- ✓ If you posted something offensive, apologize. Publicly. And don't be a tentative about it.
- ✓ Don't delete
 - Don't delete the offending post thinking it will just go away
 - If you do need to delete something in accordance with your district's social media policies, document it
- ✓ Don't block
- ✓ Contact FB Gov Affairs
 - <https://www.facebook.com/gpa/help>

CLOUD & COMPUTING

Public Officials Can't Block Twitter Accounts (Contributed)

The courts have ruled that access to a public figure's social media is a constitutional right. So, why is this mayor blocking me from his Twitter account?

September 20, 2018 - Lindsay Grudle



Most Read

Albany State University Wins \$3M for Broadband, IT Staffing

Washington State Pulls from Media Industry for Newest CISO

Unless you have a policy...

- ✓ Without a policy, your district has little recourse
- ✓ With a policy, you can delete and block!

Takeaway: **Have a Policy.**
([getstreamline.com/social](https://www.getstreamline.com/social))

Solved: Creating a rogue social media page using district logo and name without permission



Solved: Posting offensive personal opinions while clearly an employee, or on district time

██████████ Given what a certain member of your crew has publicly posted, as a person of color, I would NEVER want to be "helped" in an emergency by your department.

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Solved: being able to delete “offensive” comments

LOCAL

Indianapolis suburb sued over deleted social media comments

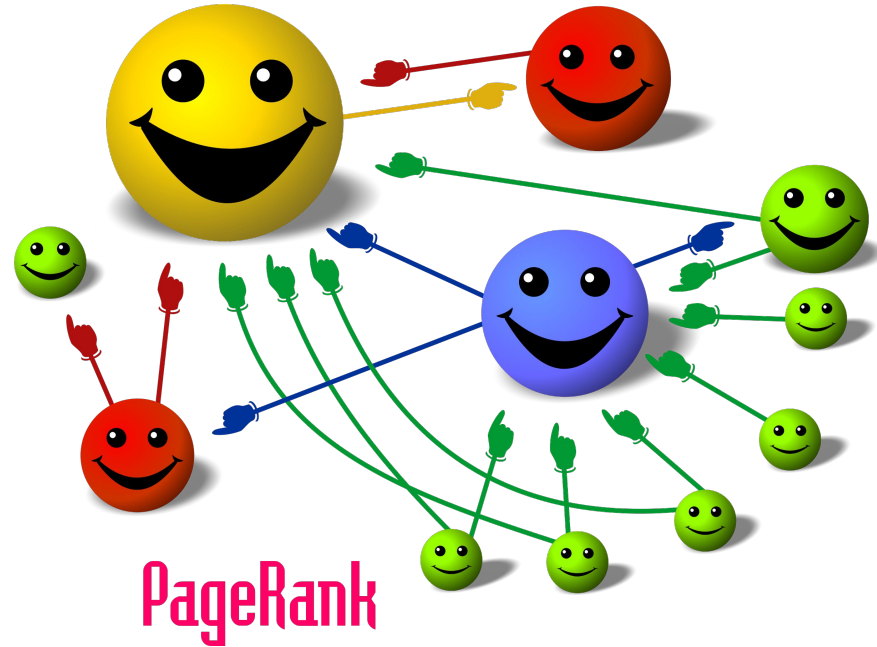
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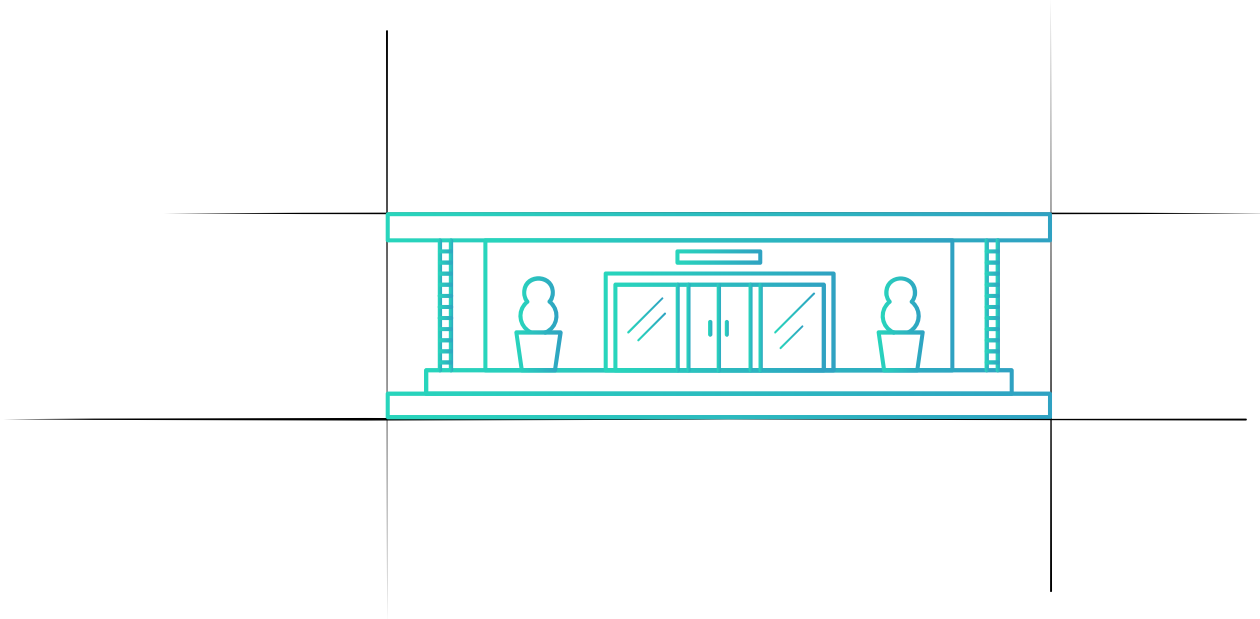
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"When a government entity opens up a space for public comment, it cannot regulate those comments based upon someone's viewpoint"

Search Engine Optimization

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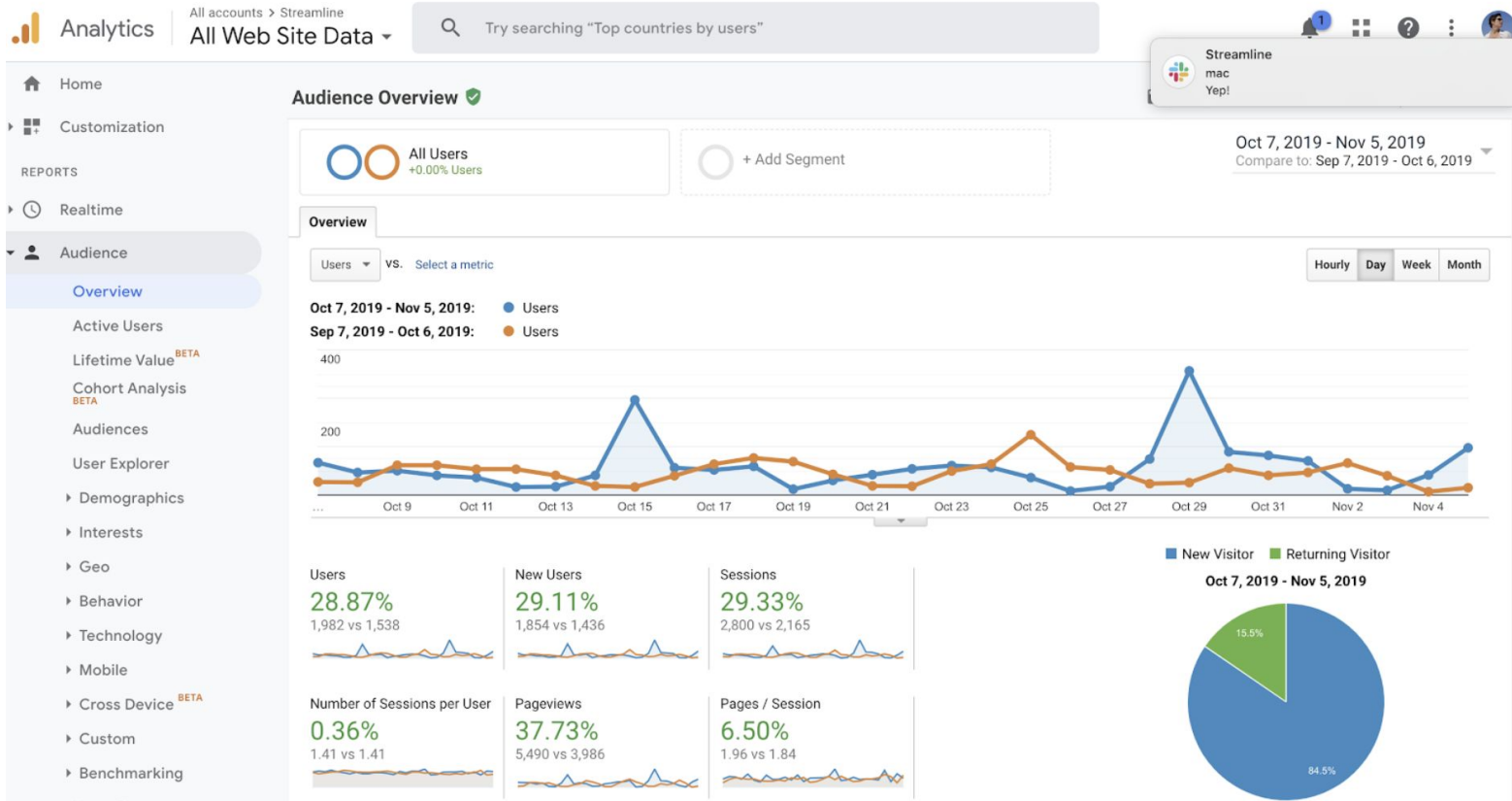


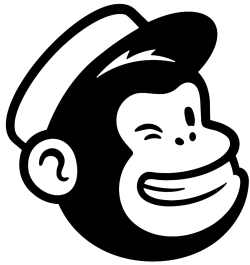


04. Measure and Respond

Use data to hone your message and resonate

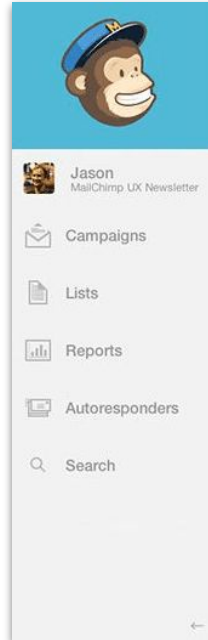
Measuring your success





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[Refresh Recipients](#)

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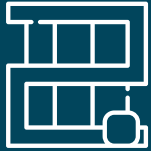
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Open Rate 76.5% · 62 Opened
- MailChimp UX Issue 1 - Move Fast and Fix Things**

Followers, Likes, Press Mentions (Google News Alerts)

SEO Checklist

Recap: Four Practices for Engagement

1



Design Your Digital Doorstep

Establish a foundation for trust.

Amplify the Good

Share your story and reinforce your purpose

3



Measure and Respond

Use data to hone your message and resonate

2



Fight the Bad

Stop fake news, rumors, and defend your reputation

4



Website Best Practices

to Increase Community
Engagement

Questions?

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