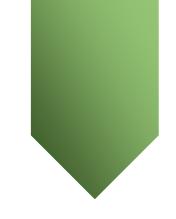
## MARKETING REPORT 3rd QUARTER 2019





# **MAP Fund Strategies**

Below are all the initiatives your national MAP Fund dollars covered in 2019 and continuing in 2020.

#### • Marketing Teams:

- Brand Management: Dedicated Brand Manager and Local Marketing Specialist
- Communications & PR: Franchisee communications, PR opportunities, Blog management
- Strategic Services: Digital and Creative Teams
- Marketing Admin: Planning and Budgets
- Email Marketing and Customer Journey (CRM)

- Market Research
- Neighborly Advertising
- SEO: Content Calendar, Blogs
- Website Hosting & Management
- Local Listings Management
- Social Media: SOCi & Promotions
- Xpress Docs: All creative materials
- Local Marketing System & Smartsheet Tool

## WEBSITE RESULTS

# 2019 YOY Results

US and CA Jan-Sept 2018 vs Jan-Sept 2019

<b>+62%</b> Social	-6% Organic	+48%	Why?
Traffic <b>+7%</b>	Traffic -12%	Google My Business Click-To-Calls	Search Trends: • GMB
Blog Unique Views	Non-paid Leads		<ul><li>Blog</li><li>Social</li></ul>

NOTE: We are seeing a transformational shift in The Fredricks' customer journey. They prefer to schedule an estimate conveniently on the Google Search Engine Results Page through Google My Business Click To Calls.



# **BLOG Traffic**

#### Q3's Top Blog:

Dethatch, Aerate, Seed: Bring Your Lawn Back Next Year!

#### 5,128 views

#### **Click Here for Blog Post**

#### NOTE: All results are for US and CA Q3 2019 vs Q3 2018.



#### Dethatch, Aerate, Seed: Bring Your Lawn Back Next Year!

With summer winding to a close, it's time to concentrate on lawn recovery to ensure your grass returns with full force next spring. The best methods to accomplish this include dethatching, aerating and seeding your lawn. Once you learn why these steps are important and how to perform them, you'll ensure a beautiful yard for years to come.

#### Dethatching Your Lawn

Most lawns experience areas where the grass dies just above the soil. Known as thatch, this layer of dead grass is beneficial in small amounts. However, when thatch builds up too quickly, it prevents water and air from reaching your grass, which can cause widespread brown patches.

#### How to Dethatch Your Lawn

Dethatching is a mechanical process that removes the inhibiting layer of dead grass for a healthier, greener lawn. You know it's time for dethatching if more than a halfinch of dead grass has built up and begun to weaken your grass.

#### YOY Total Unique Views

+7% Y0Y

#### **Q4 Strategy:**

- **1.** Blog Inline Linking
- 2. Images
- 3. Cross Promo
- 4. Editing







## **Top Posts for Q3**

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NOTE: Top post results are for July-Sept 2019.

**EXCEEDING** Brand Plan Social Media Goal: **Increase Social Referrals to Website by 10%** +62% Referrals: 21,232 vs 13,067

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Published by Andrea Gaul [?] · September 23 · 🚱

to overseed your lawn and why doing so is beneficial!

Lawn care is an integral part of exterior home maintenance, and a healthy, vibrant lawn can add beauty and value to any home. Learn more about how

View full blog post here: https://www.groundsguys.com/.../septe.../how-to-

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Engagements

Top Video

#### The Grounds Guys Published by SOCI [?] · August 28 · G

Like all living things, your lawn needs sunlight, food, and water in order to survive. Help it look its best with these tips!



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#### Best Time to Water Lawn

Watering your lawn at night is an easy way to introduce pests or disease ....

16,413	1,650	
People Reached	Engagements	Boost Again



Dead patches are a bummer. The good news? It's possible to restore beauty and vitality to your lawn! Read more now!



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#### What Causes Dead Patches in Lawn?

What causes dead patches in your lawn and how do you fix them? Find th...

#### 1.169 12.802 People Reached Engagements

**Boost Again** 

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## **Top Posts for Q3**

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thegroundsguys The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago, the second best time is now.

> #trees #groundsguys #aneighborlycompany #getneighborly #neighborly #lawnenvy #lawnenvy #curbappeal #frontyardgarden #landscapingdesign

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Liked by ggbrentwood and 37 others

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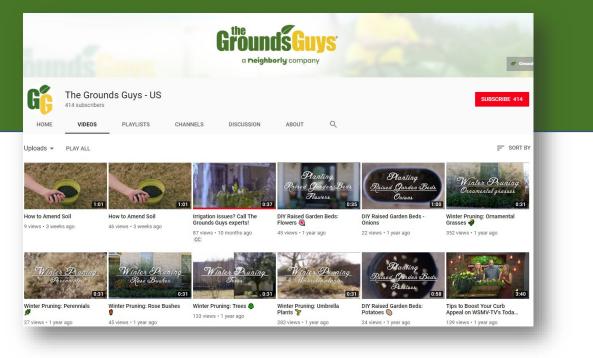


thegroundsguys ••• thegroundsguys Replace your 20+ year old landscaping with a fresh and clean design! #lawnenvy #loveyouryard #landscaping #lawncare #landscapedesign #curbappeal #mulch #groundsguys #thegroundsguys @thegroundsguys\_sugarland  $\heartsuit \bigcirc \uparrow$ h Liked by ggbrentwood and 26 others

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# Videos and Gifs for Q3

#### GOAL: To Increase Brand Awareness and Social Referrals



All videos are uploaded to The Grounds Guys' YouTube Channel. Here is the link to view and share on your local social media pages. **Click Here For YouTube Channel** 







Lawn care is an integral part of exterior home maintenance, and a healthy, vibrant lawn can add beauty and value to any home. Learn more about how to overseed your lawn and why doing so is beneficial

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Boost Again

View full blog post here: https://www.groundsguys.com/.../septe.../how-tooverseed-a-lawn.



Engagements

#### **UP NEXT:**

How to Prevent Frost Damage **Pruning Trees in Winter** 

People Reached

## The Grounds Guys Social Media Posting Schedule

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Facebook (National and Local Pages)		Nuggets /Blogs	Reserved for franchisee posting	New blog	Repurpose IG photos (when applicable)	NBLY Blog	PR opps (when applicable)
Instagram (National Only)					Photo/Video		
LinkedIn (National Only)		Nuggets /Blogs		New blog			
YouTube (National Only)	6 videos/year						
Pinterest (National Only)				New blog			
Twitter (National Only)				New blog			

\*Content on Holidays for FB & Instagram. All content available to owners in SOCi.

# Local Marketing News

#### What is the Local Marketing System?

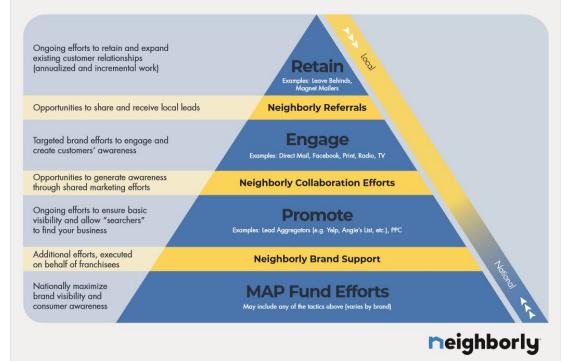
Local Marketing System now available! Reach out to our Local Marketing Specialist to build your marketing plan and track your success.

# What is SOCi ?

Social Media Platform that aids franchise locations with their social media presence. From content creation to responding and interacting with your customers via engagements and reviews. \*\*Your log-in was sent to you on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Reach out to Natalie Walker if you need assistance.



### **The Marketing Pyramid**

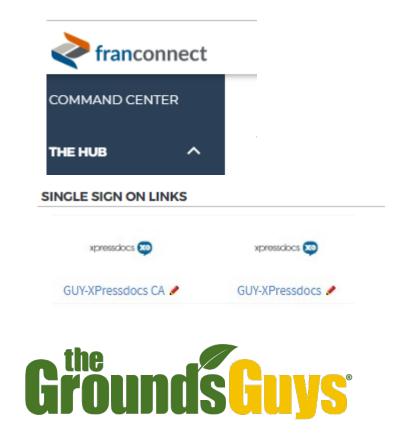


# **XpressDocs**

- Launched Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> and great feedback from franchisees!
- Fast Solutions for all creative materials
- Sample Packets were sent to every franchisee

### Current Promotions:

- GroundsGuys15 for 15% off all products except yard signs 9/16-11/30
- Neighborly15 for 15% off yard signs 11/1-12/31 (End of Year Savings Campaign)
- More to come in 2020!







## **Register for Neighborly Local Marketing Resources**



- Access via FranConnect, CES, and Team Sites by clicking "Neighborly Local Marketing Resources" icon using your Franchise portal's single sign-on
- Or visit https://resources.neighborlybrands.com.
- Resources applicable to US and Canadian franchisees
- Contact Local Marketing Manager/Specialist for info

7	Franchisees
	registered



Brand	Franchisees Registered	Total Franchisees	% Registered
MRH	48	155	31%
ASV	54	182	30%
MOJ	44	160	28%
FSP/PTP	44	172	26%
WDG	30	127	24%
MRA	62	259	24%
MRR	34	203	17%
GUY	31	198	16%
MLY	38	240	16%
MRE	25	171	15%
RBW	45	300	15%
MDG	22	185	12%



## Neighborly 2019 Strategy

To achieve **3.94% multi-brand customer penetration**, contributing to an overall **10% target by the end of 2023**.

Neighborly will drive multi-brand purchases by partnering with each brand to execute marketing strategy, leveraging integrated touchpoints with existing customers, and strategically investing in opportunities beyond our base.





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# Creative: Moving In



What: Sending a direct mail piece to new movers each month (25-50K potential customers monthly).

Why: People who plan to move or are in the midst of moving homes face a lot of todos which can be stressful on the process. This campaign provides messaging that Neighborly can make their lives easier and their home ready to sell or move into.

**When:** To begin this month and continue in U.S. markets for a three-month test.

**Who:** Moving Out – newly listed houses. Moving In - 60 days from home purchase

Where: These will be sent to the same top 40 DMAs currently involved in Neighborly multibrand promotions, with 7+Brands, highest Web search, and at least 30% geographic coverage.

# CRM Email Marketing Campaigns

(Sent to residential customers only)

## Customers

- SureStart
- NEW! Customer Journey
- NEW! Attrition Prevention

### Leads

• NEW! Estimate Nurturing

## **Customers & Leads**

- NEW! Website Visit Remarketing
- Newsletter (monthly)
- Neighborly SignUps
- Task Reminders





# 2019 Email Performance - YTD

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Emails Sent	13M	189K	
Open Rate	12.2%	18%	15%
Click Thru Rate	2.9%	3.5%	1.5%

NOTE: Performance in 2019 is above all industry averages! Our customers enjoy the email content sent to them and proves to engage our customer base. Our 2020 efforts should lift these numbers even more with the deployment of triggered customer journeys, retargeting campaigns, personalization and enhanced customer analytics

## WHAT'S NEXT? Upcoming Projects

- NEW! Core Services Campaign on Xpress Docs
- Inline Linking Blog Optimization
- Blogs and Social Posts: How to Transplant Shrubs, How to Winterize a Lawn Mower

- Videos: How to Prevent Frost Damage, Pruning Trees in Winter
- Advisory Council Fall Planning Meeting (Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)
- NEW! CRM Email Marketing Campaigns

#### Looking forward to continued success in Q4!



## Your marketing team

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- Natalie Walker, Brand Manager
- (Open, Local Marketing Specialist)
- Andrea Gaul, Communications Manager
- Holly Peterson, Marketing Manager Canada
- Brittany Kruger, Local Marketing Specialist Canada

