

# Strengthening Customer Relations via Social Media

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## What is Mass Save



- An initiative sponsored by Massachusetts' gas and electric utilities and energy efficiency service providers
- Provides a wide range of energy efficiency services to help residents and businesses manage energy use and related costs.
- Mass Save's social media channels are manage by its Residential Lighting and Appliance Program, supported by the electric Sponsors









## Surprise: people use social media

- 65% of U.S. adults use social media
- On average, people in the U.S. check their social media accounts 17 x per day
- Americans spend more time on social media than any other major Internet activity, including email









#### Frequency of Platform Use by Registered Users



Pew Research Center, 2014 3

### 9 to 5 doesn't apply to today's customer

#### Mass Save Facebook traffic





## Mass Save's approach to social media

### Facebook







- Deliver relevant content
- Offer exciting ways to engage
- Provide timely customer service
- Build brand advocacy



### How to make content relevant

#### Mass Save

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With slightly warmer temperatures later today, check your roof. If snow is melting rapidly and forming an ice dam, your heating system could be working overtime by heating your attic. Here are ways to fix ice dams from This Old House: http://dt.W/1dxWoMO

#### **Ice Dam at Work**

#### meltwater

#### ice dam

ice dam

281,088 people reached

516 Likes 120 Comments 2.5k Shares

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SNOW

2.847 people reached

33 Likes 3 Comments 2 Shares

The color temperature of your home lighting can effect how you live and work. Are you more of a "warm" or "cool" light person?



- Timely and seasonal
- Addresses customer pain points
- Builds on current conversations
- Offers:
  - News and events
  - Tips and tricks
  - Educational nuggets



Mass Save @MassSave Nov 22 8 energy saving tips to gobble up this #Thanksgiving! ow.ly/UU7hu

## Make your blog work harder for you

### Mass Saver Blog

- Relevant content
- Owned content
- Why invest in content development?
  - Increases engagement with the program
  - Brings the audience into your site
  - Provides opportunities to link to program actions

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Score a Touchdown for Energy Efficieny

#### Mass Save Published by Jenna Peters [?] - September 27 - @

Intercept wasted energy with these money-saving tips for your home turf!



Fall is a great time of year – school has begun and apple flavored coffee are taking over bakeries, coffee houses, baseball season is winding down while fall TV programn football are just kicking off, which can make for some gr While our use of home electronics changes as we begin couch season, you can change how much energy they u better home electronic efficiency.



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Our use of home electronics changes with the seasons. Follow our playbook to increase the efficiency of your electronics.

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### Make it interesting for your customers

#### Video content

 Social channels are increasingly rewarding video content





#### Giveaways and contests

 Giveaways and contests offer an opportunity to capture customer information for future communication



### Make it exclusive to them

#### Exclusive limited-time offers

- Everyone loves a good deal
- Urgency adds excitement

### 2015 Mass Save online sales

- 48,700+ EE products sold
- 7,500+ unique customers







### Surpass your customer's expectations

- Customers appreciate a direct channel to submit questions
- The social media team fields questions and works with program Sponsors as needed
- Interactions are personal, genuine and prompt, improving customer experience



### **Build brand advocates**

### 81% of people said they're influenced by what their friends share on social media



Steve Langlois These guys just put 50 led light bulbs in my house for free. Hello...

Unlike · Reply · C 2 · 7 hrs



Dave McDonough That's nothing, Steve. They insulated my entire house (attic and walls) for Zero.

Unlike · Reply · 1 · 50 mins



Lauren Conti ► Mass Save

Thank you Mass Save! I had an energy audit and subsequently had my home insulation reinforced last year. My house is the only one in my neighborhood that doesn't have icicles or leaks....not one!

Like · Comment · Share



Chris Tina Maria Just called and got the appointment, ty sooo much Cheryl Christine, lose a fridge gain \$100 and here I was giving stuff to the scrap guy figuring it was free removal!

Like · Reply · 🖒 1 · January 16 at 9:57am



Torin Zender @zTorin · Aug 5





Marrilee Costa Tyler u should check into this Unlike · Reply · 🖒 1 · 5 hrs

#### Carol Wolicki @cwolicki · Jul 25

#MassSave at my house today. Gettin energy efficiency audit & new energysaving light bulbs. Thank you @MassSave



Amanda Kōan Ivey Having our attic insulated thanks to Mass Save on 2/18! Very excited and grateful for the subsidy. The whole job will only cost us ~\$350 out of pocket!

Unlike · Reply · 🖒 1 · 13 hours ago

## Maintain their loyalty

#### Mass Save has used social media to:

- Spread awareness
- Grow engagement
- Establish trust
- Increase program participation
- Build loyalty



#### Mass Save Google Searches



Lizzy OH Love mass save!!!

Unlike · 🖒 1 · 12 hours ago

## An old story with a new twist





### Thank you!

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