ENHANCING RURAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY THROUGH THE USE OF SOCIAL MARKETING

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"Why should the devil have all the best tunes?" --Gerard Hastings

- "75% of all premature deaths are preventable by changes in individual behavior, and social and environmental conditions"
 - --U. S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

THREE MAJOR CLASSES OF PUBLIC SAFETY STRATEGIC TOOLS

Education / Communications / Messages

Environmental Change / Social Marketing

Enforcement / Force of law

"If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always gotten"

--Beth Mastin

COMMERCIAL MARKETING AND PUBLIC SAFETY ARE FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT

Commercial marketing appeals to immediate self interest

Public safety campaigns often ask for: Behavior that is opposite of self interest

And may be opposite of current behavior

COMMERCIAL MARKETING AND PUBLIC SAFETY ARE FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT

Commercial marketing acknowledges: Competition in the marketplace Consumer has free choice Consumer has power Public safety campaigns often neglect: The power residing in consumers That free choice implies competition There is always competition

SEGMENTING ON WILLINGNESS TO BEHAVE

Prone to Behave as Desired Unable to Behave as Desired

Resistant to Behave as Desired

Easy to See or Convey Self Interest

Need to See and Receive Benefits Can't See and
Can't Convey Self
Interest or
Benefits

Education

Environment, Marketing

Enforcement

No/weak competition

Passive/active Competition

Unmanageable competition

SEGMENTING ON STAGES OF CHANGE AND WILLINGNESS TO BEHAVE

	Prone	Unable	Resistant
Awareness	Education	Education	Education
Attitude	Education	Mktg,Educ	Enforce, Educ
Trial Behavior	Education	Marketing	Enforcement
Repeat Behavior	Education	Mktg,Educ	Enforcement

SEGMENTING ON MOTIVATION, OPPORTUNITY, ABILITY

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Behavior = f(M, O, A)
Motivation:
  Self interest
  Group norms
Opportunity
  Environment allows behavior
  Add benefits
  Remove barriers
  Provide incentives
Ability
  Skills and proficiency
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MOTIVATION

yes

no

OPPORTUNITY	yes	no	yes	no
ABILITY				
yes				
no				

MOTIVATION	У	es	n	0
OPPORTUNITY	yes	no	yes	no
ABILITY				
yes	prone to behave education	unable to behave marketing	resistant to behave enforce	resistant to behave marketing enforce
no	unable to behave education marketing	unable to behave education marketing	resistant to behave education marketing enforce	resistant to behave education marketing enforce

WHAT IS MARKETING?

(American Marketing Association, 2004)

Creating value

To create opportunity

To increase benefits

Delivering value

To decrease barriers

To fit into life processes and hassles

Communicating value

To inform and motivate

"Role of government is to create opportunity; role of citizen is to seize opportunity"

-- Alexander Hamilton

"We need to create an environment where it is as easy to eat well as it is to eat poorly"

-- Margo Wootan

REDUCING ALCOHOL IMPAIRED DRINKING

The Goals:

To reduce alcohol related crashes by 5%

To be self sustaining after one year
To demonstrate the value
of social marketing

NEW PRODUCT RESEARCH

7 focus groups with expert observers

11 focus groups with target

Describing 21-34 single men

What matters to them?

Why do they drink?

Why do they drive after drinking?

Why don't they drive after drinking?

Decision making processes of target

In sum: Benefits, barriers, change behavior

WHAT MATTERS TO THEM?

Their friends
Pursuit of good times
Fitting in; fear of being an outcast
Proving manhood
Alcohol related activities
Women
Their vehicles

WHY DO THEY DRINK?

It's what you do; to get drunk
Escape the reality of daily problems
Overcome fear, inhibitions
Let's them become someone else
Impress friends with drinking ability

WHY DO THEY DRIVE AFTER DRINKING?

To get home Don't want to leave car behind Hassle to get back to car in morning Alternatives are not available Social pressure; everybody does it To be cool Unaware of impairment; become fearless Low risk of getting caught; weak enforcement

A FEW OTHER KEY FINDINGS

Different phases of evening
To bar, between bars, back home
Get target to bar without car
Vehicles need to be appealing, cool
Willing to pay for service

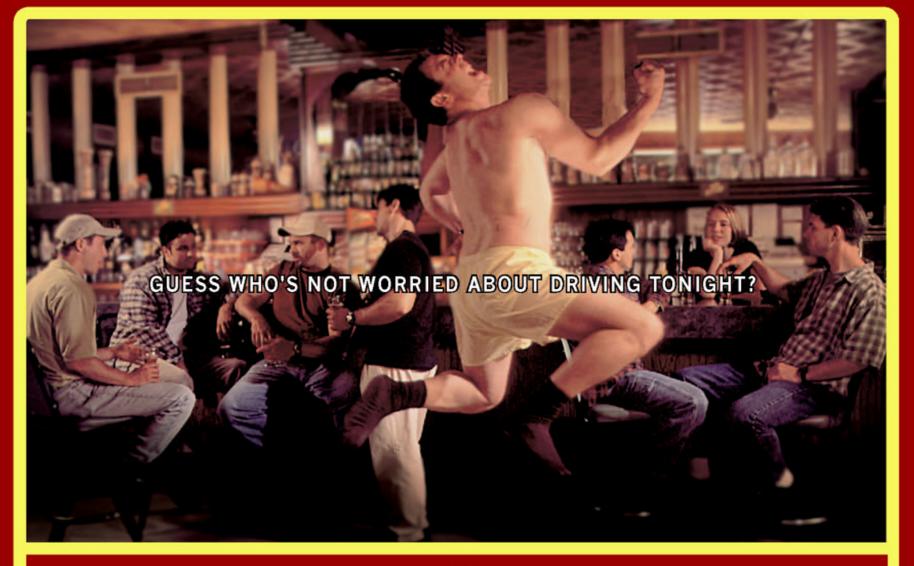
BRIEF SKETCH OF PROGRAM

Rides to, between and home from bars Desirable vehicles and allow drinking Reasonable, but self sustaining fees

Each community:

Begins with our research and strategy Develops coalition and advisory board Creates unique program for community

VIDEO



Dave doesn't have to drive tonight. That makes him happy. Because when The Road Crew is driving, and Dave is not, he can relax and simply enjoy a nice time with his friends.



For more info on the totally brand-newest way to get around safely, ask your bartender about The Road Crew. And remember, safely first, so don't jump around in the bar. Thanks.

"Beats driving"

OUR PARTNERS

US DOT -- NHTSA WI DOT - BOTS Miller Brewing Company Tavern League of Wisconsin Community Coalitions: Law enforcement Bar owners Public health Community leaders Media Advisory board of target members

OBSERVING THE OUTCOME

Phone survey Post test only in treatment communities Awareness, attitudes, and perceptions General pop, target, city leaders, bar workers Sales record Each ride is potential alcohol related crash Count rides vs crashes, OWI, injuries, deaths Bar coupon survey Pre and post test Treatment and control group Admitting drinking and driving w/ anonymity

AWARENESS

Have you heard of any programs that provide rides ...?

Pop	Tqt	Ldrs	Bars
68%	71	99	100

Asked of those who were aware:

How does the ride program work?

Pop	Tgt	Ldrs	Bars
79%	90	96	99

ATTITUDES

How do you feel about the ride program...?

	Pop	Tgt	Ldrs	Bars
Very, some pos	90%	91	85	98
Neutral, don't know	8	7	11	1
Very, some neg	2	2	4	0

PERCEPTIONS

Change in number who drive after drinking excessively?

	Pop	Tgt	Ldrs	Bars
Increased	6%	4	5	1
About the same	31	23	21	18
Decreased	48	66	59	81
Don't know	16	7	14	0

BEHAVIOR

Know anyone who has used the ride service?

	Pop	Tgt
Yes	38%	61
No	62	39

Personally ever used the ride service?

			Bar Coupo	
	Pop	Tgt	All	21-34
Yes	7%	19	58	69
No	93	81	42	31

PERCEPTIONS OF FUTURE

Should community continue ride program?

	Ldrs	Bars
Yes	88%	99
Don't know	8	1
No	4	0

Do you feel the community will continue?

	Ldrs	Bars
Yes	64%	85
Don't know	29	7
No	8	7

SOME RESULTS AS OF 07/07

Over 85,000 rides taken in parts of 6 rural counties covering 2% of Wisconsin population Avoided ~140 crashes, ~6 deaths No increase in individual consumption All are self-sufficient after 1 year Cost of alcohol related crash: \$231,000 Cost to avoid crash: \$6200 Net savings: \$31mm

FITTING THE CRITERIA OF THE NATIONAL SOCIAL MARKETING CENTRE (PART 1)

Theory: behavior results from self interest; from motivation, opportunity, ability; need to create and deliver value

Customer orientation: increase benefits, decrease barriers; fit life processes

Segmentation: 21-34, rural, single, men, drink in bars, most likely to crash

Exchange: behavior in exchange for fun, easy, popular, cool

FITTING THE CRITERIA OF THE NATIONAL SOCIAL MARKETING CENTRE (PART 2)

Competition: impaired driving accepted; has huge market share

Insight: want to drink, but no need to drive; little power to force behavior

Behavior: overcome disconnect of high awareness and low behavior; of motivation without opportunity

Methods mix: qual + quant research; education, environment, enforcement; 4Ps, not just messages

WHAT IS THE ESSENCE OF ROAD CREW?

Get people to leave their vehicle at home Be fun, easy and popular Form a broad-based community coalition Regularly rely on the insights of 21-34 year-old advisory committee Maintain long-term self-sufficiency

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE CONSUMER

People are rational They make their own best decisions Within their own view of world We need to understand these views And the processes leading to decisions We need to accommodate these views By listening early and often With local coalitions With a broad set of partners By managing the environment

"Organize policy and strategy until self interest does what justice requires"

-- Julian LeGrande

For more information go to:

WWW.ROADCREWONLINE.ORG

- *five-minute video
- * Accident Analysis & Prevention

"Beats driving"