# **Somerset County Health Department**

- Situation The Somerset County Health Department (SCHD), located in the southernmost county in Maryland, was looking to address two separate issues in the county: (1) reduce underage and binge drinking and (2) continue to generate awareness of the opioid epidemic. The county wanted a centralized digital location where residents could visit and be informed about underage drinking, alcohol and opioid abuse, steps for prevention, and resources for getting help. Somerset County also has a separate website devoted to opioid addiction entitled "Unmask Addiction." This site was only one-year old and simply needed minor updates, content changes and tweaking to enhance the current design.
- Solution To address the needs of the County's current initiatives, the Channel team recommended creating a themed landing page, logo, and an easy to remember domain, "A Clean Getaway". The name connoted getting help and getting clean from your addiction. This themed micro-site included all the prevention and addiction facts, warning signs and help information. For the underage drinking initiative, we created a jump-page entitled "Binge on the Truth" and decided to keep the existing theme of "Unmask Addiction" for opioid addiction.

Once the micro-site was officially live, we ran a three-month media campaign to drive traffic to both "A Clean Getaway" and "Unmask Addiction." Monthly social media calendars, behavioral banner ads, Facebook pay-per-click, and Facebook video pay-per-click advertising were used. We also ran :30 second radio on two Somerset County stations featuring the local Sheriff promoting the "Unmask Addition" site and encouraging listeners to call 911 or 443-523-1790 for treatment and help under the Good Samaritan Law.

**Results** The mobile ad (320x50) secured 737,238 impressions, which happened to be 75% of the overall banner ad impressions. The 300x250 (desktop and mobile) garnered 13% of all impressions, while the 728x90 (desktop only) closely followed and came in with the remaining 12%.

In terms of paid social media efforts, the Facebook single image PPC produced 254,184 total impressions and 1,228 link clicks. All clicks were split evenly at 50% men and 50% women, while most clicks came from the 45-54 age range. Looking at impressions, the

majority came from both men and women aged 25-34.

The Good Samaritan Law video PPC ad had an overall reach of 23,723 people and 43,362 impressions. In terms of viewers and video watch percentages, 22,667 watched 50% of the Good Samaritan Law video and 20,466 viewers completed watching the full video. This particular video appealed to men (57% of views) more than women (43% of views) and the 25-34 age range was engaged the most between all impressions and video views.

Here are the top takeaways:

#### Banner Ads

- 981,679 impressions
- 1,491 clicks
- Click-thru-rate (CTR) averaged .15%

### Facebook - organic social calendar

- 2,016 impressions
- · 62 engagements (likes, shares, comments, etc.)
- · Gained 11 new likes and 12 new followers
- 76 page views

### Facebook – "Unmask Addiction" single image pay-per-click (PPC)

- 254,184 impressions
- 58,675 people reached
- 1,228 link clicks to the "Unmask Addiction" website

## Facebook – Good Samaritan Law video pay-per-click (PPC)

- 42,362 impressions
- 23,723 people reached
- · 65 link clicks to the Good Samaritan Law site page
- 20,466 people watched 100% of the video















