# Marketing Your Business Executive Farm Management Program

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## **Overview**

- 1. Fundamentals of Marketing
- 2. It all starts with the Customer
- 3. Creating Value
- 4. Marketing Channels
- 5. Putting it all together
- 6. Applying the Case Study



## What is Marketing?



- A means of identifying what is wanted and needed.
- The act of buying or selling in a market.
- A form of relationship management: one-to-one, one-to-many
- Marketing's role is to bring the voice of the customer inside the organization to reorient the way the organization does business to serve the needs of customer even better.



## **Functions of Marketing**



Serves wants and needs of customers



Fulfills a company's mission by increasing utilization of needed services



Creates a demand for the organization's products/services



Crafts a positive image (brand) which attracts customers and referral sources

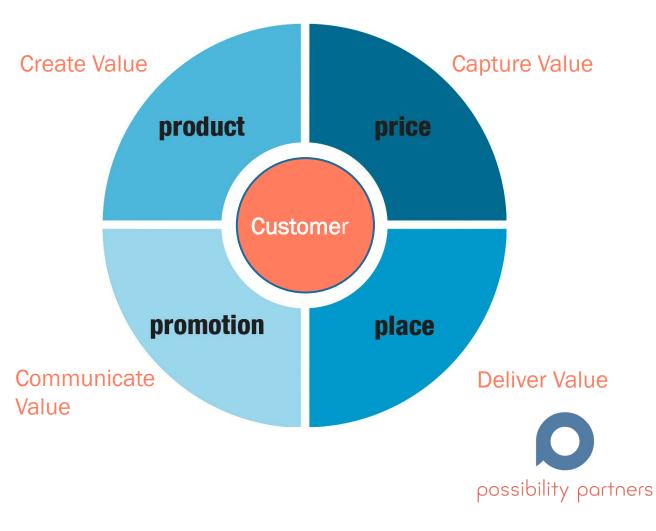


Increases the bottom line through encouraging utilization of targeted products/services



## The Four Ps of Marketing

- Product what you sell
- Price total economic value of an exchange
- Place where and how the exchange takes place (distribution channels)
- Promotion how we create awareness and grow your business



## **Misconceptions & Benefits of Marketing**

#### **Misconceptions**

- It's all about advertising
- It's unethical and harmful to society
- It represents only a cost to the company
- Only "marketers" market

#### Benefits (of good marketing)

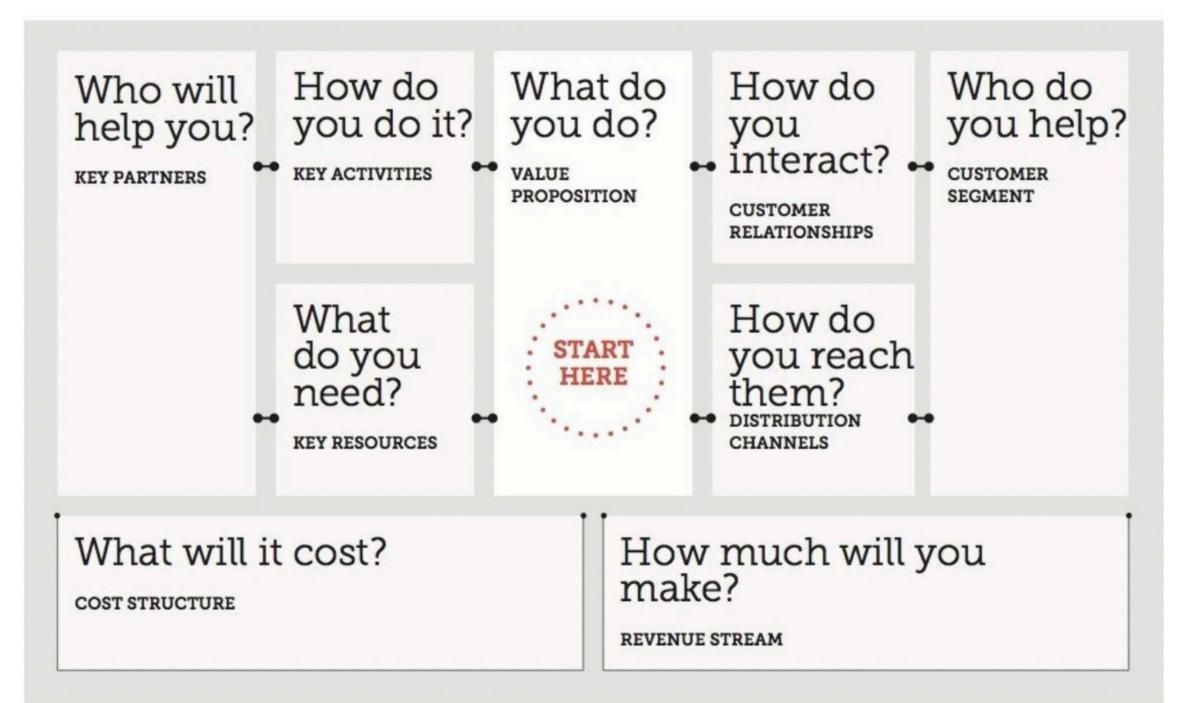
- Generates sales
- Creates efficient markets
  - Supply matches demand
  - Prices match value delivered
  - Inventories are available in correct volumes
  - Goods and services are distributed
     efficiently
- New product creation
- Encourages Entrepreneurism
- Builds trust
- Creates value



## **Key Trends Shaping Marketing**

Customization	<ul> <li>Move from mass markets to "markets of one"</li> <li>Mass customization enable by technology</li> </ul>
Digital/Social Media	<ul><li> 24-hr cycle/real time</li><li> Mobile first</li></ul>
Global Marketing	<ul> <li>Search for segments and needs – worldwide</li> <li>Global sourcing, production and sales</li> </ul>





"The primary task of the marketing function is not to manipulate customers to do what suits the interest of the firm but rather to find effective and efficient means of making the firm do what serves the interest of the customer."

- Theodore Levitt, Marketing Myopia, Harvard Business Review





# Who is my Customer?

The customer profile describes a specific customer in your business model in a more structured and detailed way. It breaks the customer down into jobs, pains and gains

Do you know what is most important to your customers?

#### **Customer Jobs**

Describes what customers are trying to "get done". Why they make the choices they do.

#### **Customer Pains**

What keeps them up at night? What barrier are are they trying to solve? Describes risks and obstacles related to customer jobs.

#### **Customer Gains**

Describes the outcomes customers want to achieve or the concrete benefits they are seeking.



#### Who are your Customers?

Customer journey mapping is the process of recording the customer's decision points and experiences at each step of their interaction with a service or brand

## **Customer Journey Map**

#### Steps in the buying decision



## Describe your Customer

age gender ethnicity geographic location psychographics (lifestyle)



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## **Value Proposition**



A value proposition makes a case for why a customer/stakeholders should pick your product/service over the *next best alternative* and makes clear the unique value your product/service provides over its contenders.



## **Create Value**

The Value (Proposition) Map breaks down your value proposition into products and services, pain relievers and gain relievers.

#### **Products and Services**

List of all the products and services your value proposition is built around.

#### **Pain Relievers**

Describe how your products/services alleviate your customers pains.

#### **Gain Creators**

Describe how your products and services create customer gains.







## **Channels**

Communication, distribution and sales channels are ways that a company interacts with its customers.\* The number of marketing communication channels continues to grow.

Do you know which channels are most effective in reaching your customer?

## Communication Channels – Raising Awareness & Helping your Customer Evaluate your Value Proposition

- Traditional Marketing
  - Examples include TV, magazine, radio, billboards, direct mail, giveaway items
- Digital Marketing
  - Any marketing that uses electronic devices: online video, display ads, search engine, paid social ads, social media posts







# Brand:

## **Tell Your Story**

Create awareness Build positive images Identify Prospects Retain Customers

What is your favorite product? Why do you like it?

#### Promotion

- Integrated Marketing Communication seeks to manage all sources of a brand or company contacts with existing and potential customers.\*
- Examples: Advertising, Sales Promotion, Personnel Selling, Publicity, Social Media



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## Putting it all together

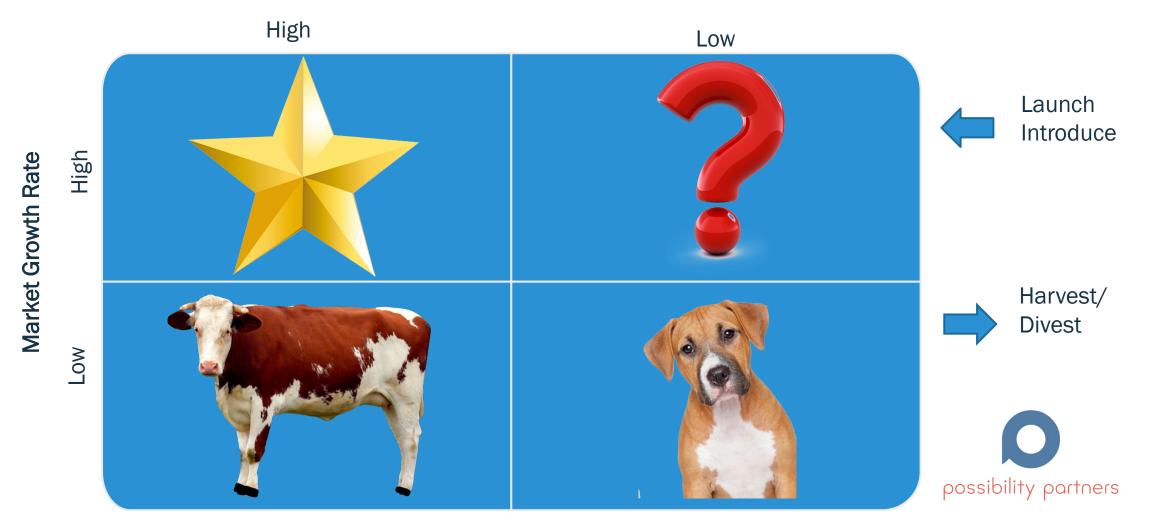
- Successful marketing brings together the right combination of the four Ps of marketing to create value for its customer
- It starts with your Customer
- Create Value (product/service)
- Capture Value (price)
- Deliver Value (place)
- Communicate Value (promotion)



## **Boston Consulting Group Matrix:** Method to Manage Resources and Product Portfolio

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**Relative Market Share** 

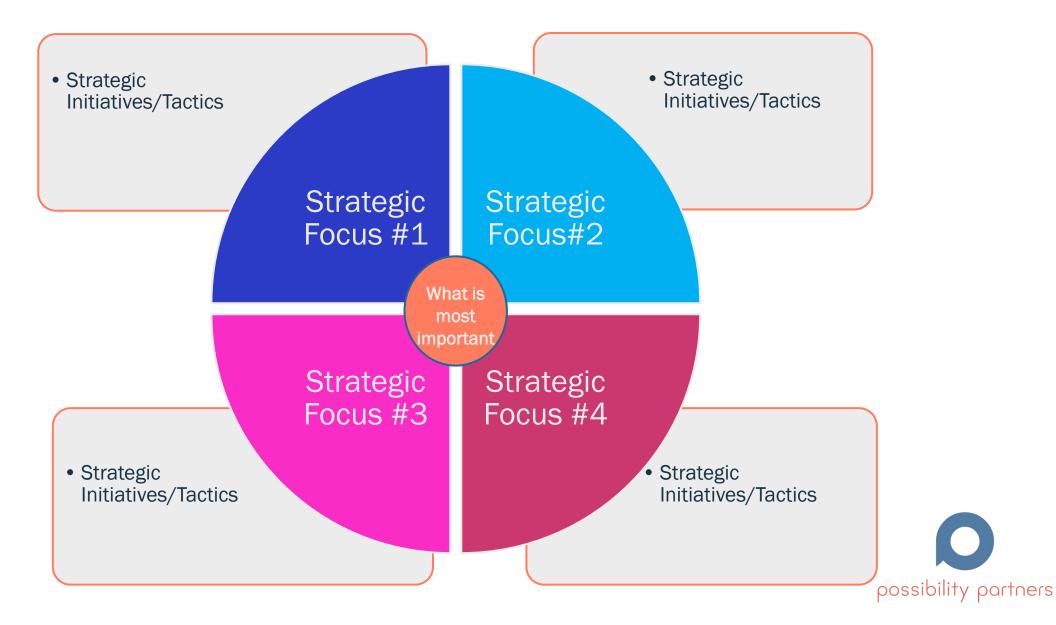


## Applying the Case

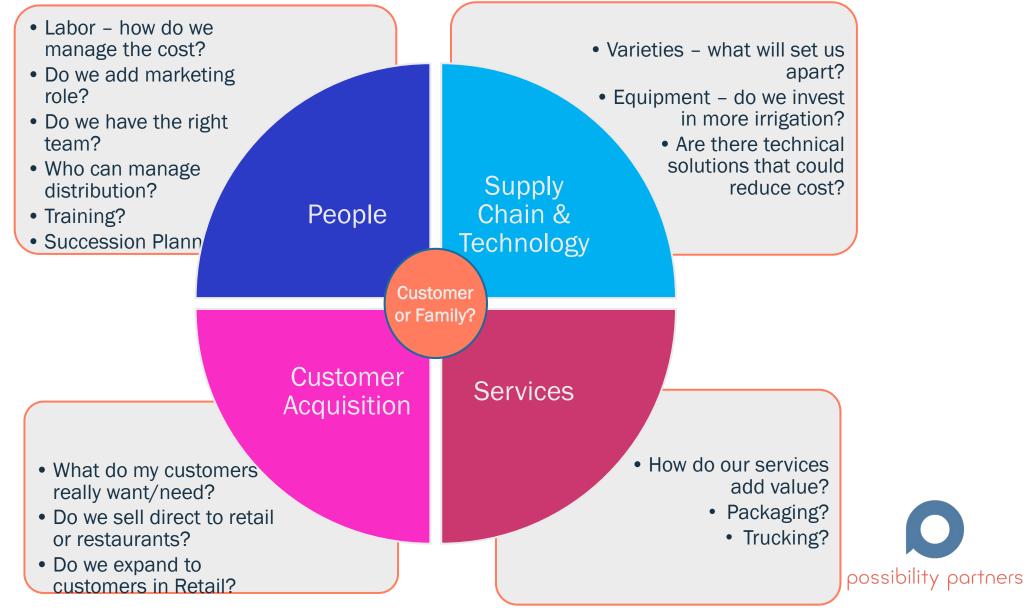
- 1. Which products should the Brown Family Farm continue to farm? (Product)
- 2. Which ones should they invest in? (Product)
- 3. Should they divest any of their products or services? If so, which one(s)? (Product)
- 4. Should they sell direct to retail venues? Why or why not? (Product/Place)
- 5. What products/services generate the highest margin? (Product/Price)



#### **Strategic Framework – Building Your Business from the Inside/Out**



## **Strategic Framework – Case Example**



# **Questions?**



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