

# LOCAL BRANDING: THE SECRET WEAPON OF LEAD VOLUME & HIGH CONVERSION

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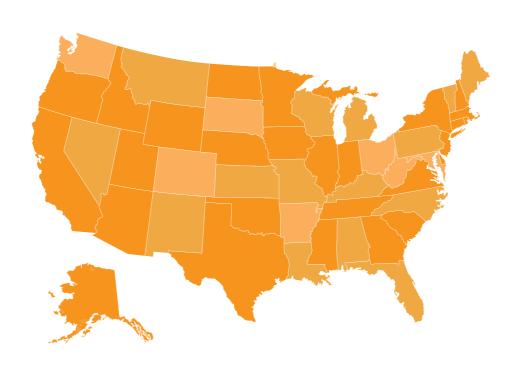
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# STRENGTHEN YOUR BRAND: WAYS TO MEASURE THE UNMEASURABLE

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### Optimizing Your Google Home Page (Brand Search + GMB)

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### What We'll Discuss

- 1 Your Brand in the Real World vs the Online World
- 2 Why This Matters? What's the ROI?
- (3) Developing a Local Brand Strategy





# YOUR BRAND IN THE REAL WORLD/IN THE ONLINE WORLD

## **Brand**

Your brand is the power of your reputation.

Branding helps your customers connect with you on a rational and emotional level.

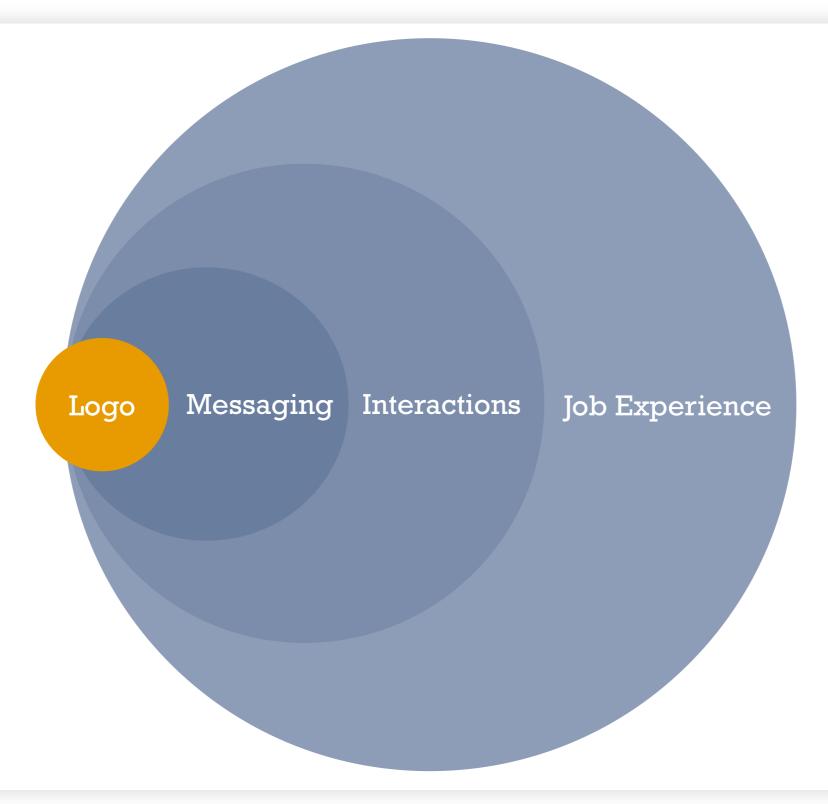
It lives in your customers' heads, giving them compelling reasons to act.

The goal of your brand is to create delight, demand and dollars.





## Your Brand is: Everything





### Two Sides of Your Brand

### In the Real World



### In the Online World

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**Building Doctors** provide comprehensive home energy audits and energy ... first step toward saving money and improving the energy efficiency in your building.

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## Google Can Only Measure What It Can See







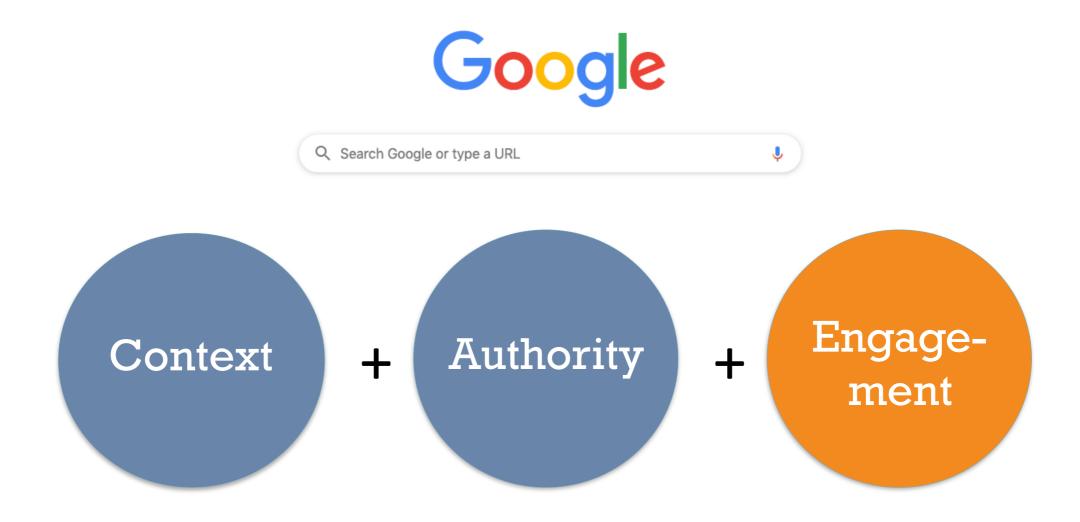
# WHY THIS MATTERS WHAT'S THE ROI?

"The internet is a cesspool where false information thrives...brands are how you sort out the cesspool."

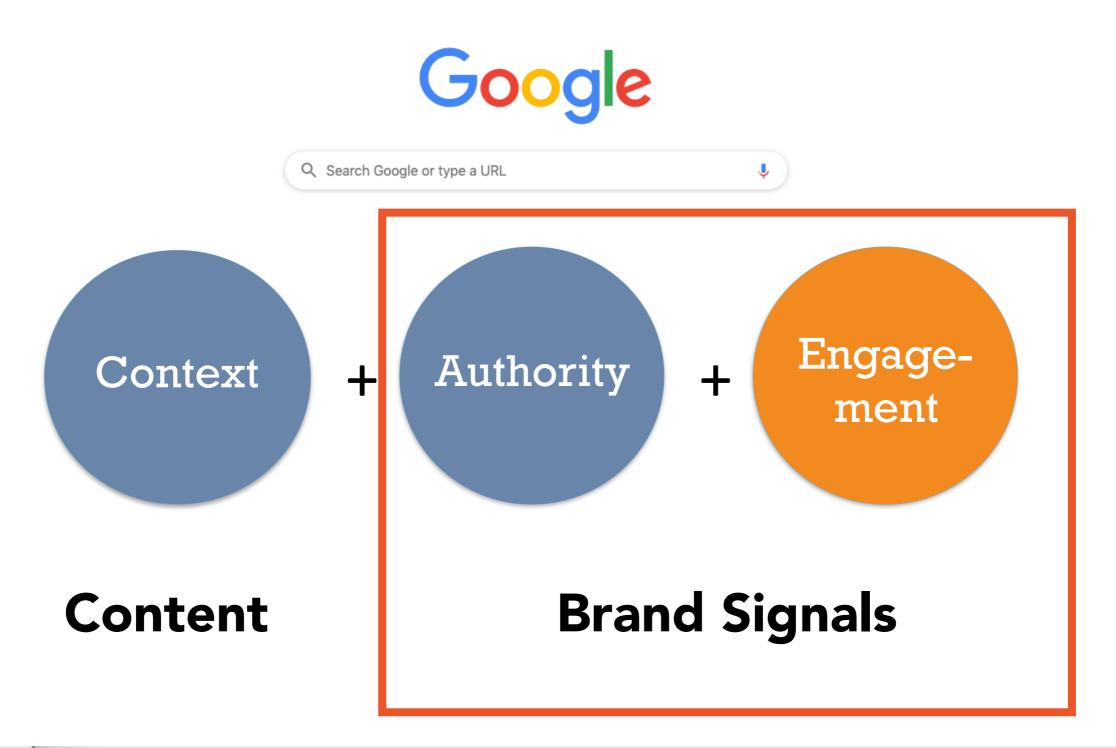
Eric Schmidt CEO, Google 2008



## Google Search & Rankings Simplified



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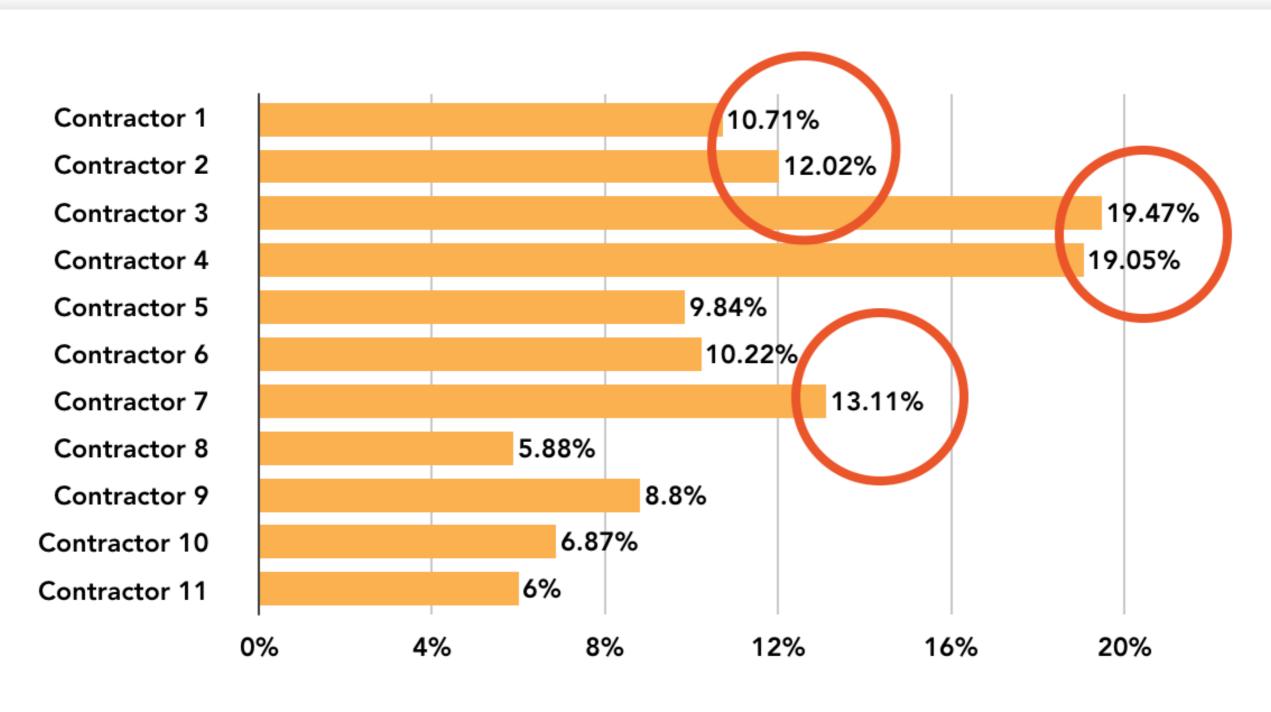


## Website vs Brand vs Entity Authority





## Strong Brands Get Strong Digital Results



**Conversion Rates** 



# Local Search Algorithm

Factor	
Relevance  Does the business provide products, services or attributes the searcher is asking for?	
Prominence Is the business well-known and well-regarded within its local market area and its industry?	
<b>Proximity</b> Is the business close enough to the searcher to be considered a good answer for their search query?	

# Local Search Algorithm

Factor	How Does Google Know?
Relevance  Does the business provide products, services or attributes the searcher is asking for?	Google My Business Website Reviews Links & Mentions
Prominence Is the business well-known and well-regarded within its local market area and its industry?	Links & Mentions Industry Directories Local Directories Engagement
Proximity Is the business close enough to the searcher to be considered a good answer for their search query?	Office Location(s) Service Area





# DEVELOPING A LOCAL BRAND STRATEGY

## **Strong Website**

Expertise Authority

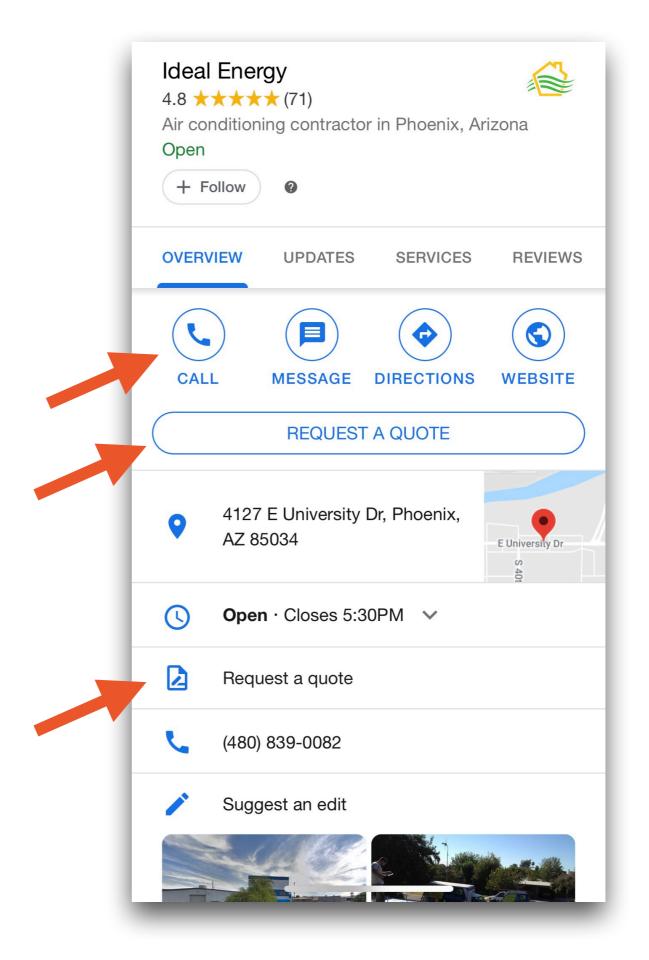
Trust





## Google My Biz Engagement

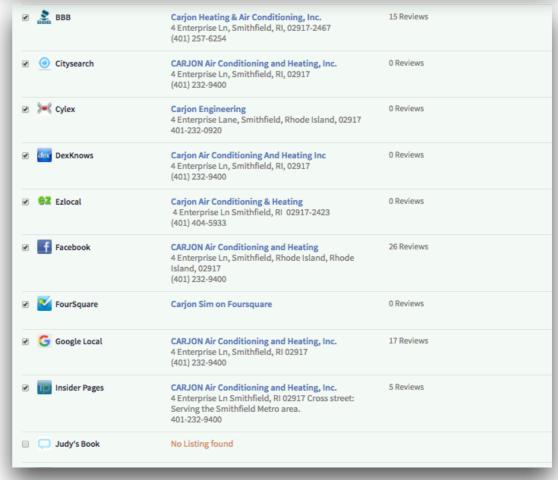
Messaging Click to Call Request Quote



## Reviews = Engagement

- 1. Google Quantity
- 2. Overall Diversity
  - 3. Responses





## **Sponsorships**

Links to your Website Mentions



### **Links & Mentions**

PR (Earned Media)
Local Lists & Directories
Links are Awesome
Mentions are Great

## A home energy audit: we put it to the test and here is what we learned

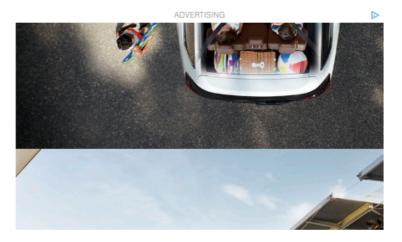




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And it was eye opening.



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