

### **METHODOLOGY**

Travel Oregon's social media agency Sparkloft Media is conducting ongoing social sentiment analysis to gauge global (and Oregon) conversations on the spread of COVID-19.

Data sources: publicly available social media data (Twitter, blogs, review sites, etc. Limited –
Instagram and Facebook due to privacy)

We used a variety of keywords\* to filter conversations. The data was directly pulled from platforms and analyzed through machine learning. The data is then categorized as positive, negative or neutral.

# SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# SUMMARY OF CONVERSATIONS (MARCH-APRIL)

- ✓ After conversations about closures peaked in mid-March, people have settled into the new normal of working from home, distance learning, quarantine restrictions and everything being cancelled.
- ✓ As we head into April, there is stress over the unsettling reality that this crisis will last more than 2 weeks. This has tempered any positive conversations about the novelty of quarantine. Factors that are driving this are: the spike in cases, mounting death toll, shortage of tests and protective gear for healthcare workers and a rapid increase in the unemployment rate.
- ✓ Stories highlighting community resiliency, people coming together and a sense of gratitude for the medical community and frontline workers, continue to be shared at increasing rates.

# STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS

✓ Based on the sentiment and the stage of the COVID-19 crisis, we are currently in the "Active Crisis Messaging" stage of messaging.

### BUSINESS AS USUAL

beginning to trend on social media but does not directly impact the brand conversation.

#### MODIFIED MESSAGING

and trends on social media. Crisis keywords begin to appear in branded conversation/on brand channels.

### ACTIVE CRISIS MESSAGING

The crisis escalates

and begins to impact brand channels: sentiment spikes negative, influx of questions about the crisis, regular messaging becomes tone-deaf.

#### MESSAGING FOR "NEW NORMAL"

The crisis is not over

but conversation about it plateaus as we enter a "new normal." While questions and some negative sentiment remains, fans look for an escape or distraction.

#### RECOVERY

crisis subsides, positive sentiment increases while crisis questions decrease. Followers are ready to be reactivated.

### BACK TO BUSINESS

Conversations
about the crisis
significantly
dissipate. Social
interactions and
entiment return to
normal levels.

# STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS

- ✓ Empathy & Sensitivity: Display empathy and an increased sensitivity towards the impact of COVID-19. Investigate the personal impact the crisis is having on your employees and community. Identify how people are feeling and what they need, then create or promote programs that provide relief.
- ✓ Community Resource: Continue to share accurate, timely public safety and health messages from authoritative sources. People want to know what specific policies mean for their way of life.





# STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS

- Resiliency and Positivity: We're all craving stories celebrating the best in humanity: healthcare heroes, essential service employees and others who are banding together to help their fellow humans. Endorse and share content from others, especially local businesses, media or community leaders. Tell a full range of community stories to emphasize unity and civic pride.
- ✓ **Escape:** The information overload has left consumers looking for long-format, gentle content. They are checking in with you less often, but when they do, they are looking for a relaxing, gentle escape.

## **CONTENT EXAMPLES**

## **EMPATHY**





travelsalem We're here for you. During these tough times, remember to stay optimistic, healthy and know that there will be brighter days ahead, we can all get through this together! #SalemIsMOPO #TravelSalem







← General Reply



Christine Richards Clackamas High

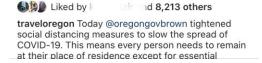
### Free panini sandwiches to families in need

This is Christine from Elka Bees Coffee Haus, We would like to help families who are struggling at this time. We will be giving away 15 panini sandwiches a day. Just call us on 503-855-3132 with your name and you can pick up before 3pm.

Posted 3 days ago to Clackamas High and 34 nearby

# CONTENT EXAMPLES COMMUNITY RESOURCE



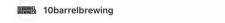






# CONTENT EXAMPLES RESILIENCY + POSITIVITY

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10barrelbrewing Special thanks to all the medical staff, charity organizations, and first responders keeping us safe during these crazy times! ♥ We love you and would totally give you a hug right now if we could!

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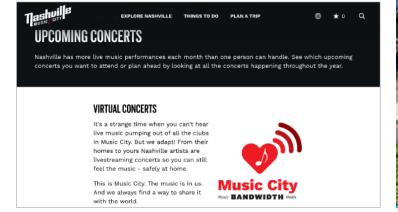
We lean on the hospitality industry through the most important moments of our lives.

#### Now, it's their turn to lean on us.

Please support our restaurants, hotels, arts & cultural organizations, and local retailers when they need us most.

Seattle is our home. We're in this together.

# CONTENT EXAMPLES ESCAPE







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Dr. Al-Khalili lives in the UK so we will be hosting this event at noon to accommodate the time difference.

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