#### PIKES PEAK SBDC WORKSHOP

# HOW TO DETERMINE YOUR TARGET MARKET









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## MARKET RESEARCH

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- > Finding out what the industry looks like.
- Who are the current competitors, vendors and suppliers?
- ▶ What is the target market? B2B or B2C?
- How big is it and how much money is available? What stage is it at?

#### WHAT IS MARKET RESEARCH?

- Internet or your local library?
- Most answers can be found by paying someone to do your research for you, but many of us can't afford to do much of this and if we don't know the questions to ask we can miss important information.

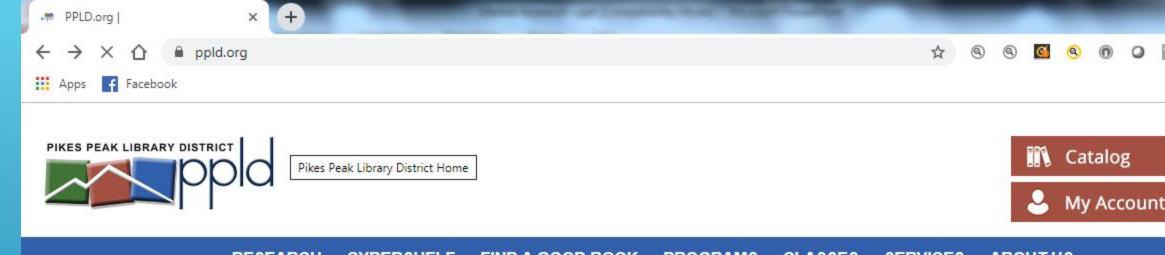
YOU CAN PAY TO FIND OUT ALL OF THESE ANSWERS OR YOU CAN DO IT YOURSELF

Some Resources at your local library

Online PPLD Business Tutorials – <a href="https://research.ppld.org/c.php?g=1060191">https://research.ppld.org/c.php?g=1060191</a> Minding Your Business

- Databases
- 1. All-in-One
- 2. ReferenceUSA
- 3. DemographicsNow
- 4. Gale Directory Library
- 5. Gale Business Plan Builder

THERE ARE MANY SOURCES TO USE TO GET ANSWERS FOR YOUR QUESTIONS.



RESEARCH CYBERSHELF FIND A GOOD BOOK PROGRAMS CLASSES SERVICES **ABOUTUS** 

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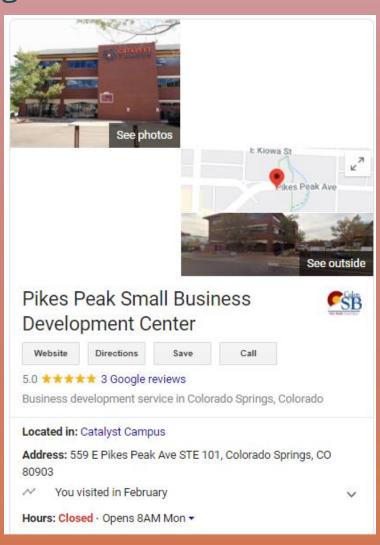
### ▶ Questions?

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The Importance of Google Business – SEO & Your Target Market

Google My Business (or GMB) is a free internet-based service designed to help promote local businesses online. It's a tool which enables business owners to manage how they appear online across Google and make their business stand out.



You do not need to have a store front business to use Google Business.



#### ■ Google My Business

#### Colorado Springs School of Massage

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Insights

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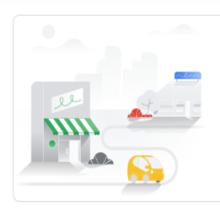
Messaging

Photos

Bookings

Products

 $\equiv$ Services



#### Keep customers up to date

Answer a few questions and update your business on Google Maps and Search with your latest info.

**Get Started** 











Let customers know about any changes to your business due to COVID-19. Learn more



Update business hours

Post your COVID-19 update

#### Celebrating Black-owned businesses

Black-owned businesses can now add this special attribute to their Business Profile, Learn more



Add attributes

Claim your \$100 free advertising credit

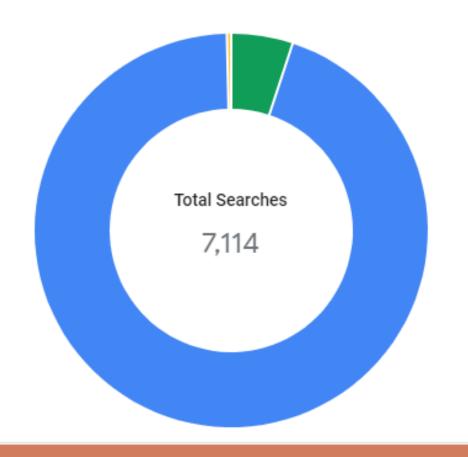
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#### How customers search for your business



1 month -





#### Direct

Customers who find your listing searching for your business name or address



#### Discovery

Customers who find your listing searching for a category, product, or service



#### Branded

Customers who find your listing searching for a brand related to your business



#### Where customers view your business on Google The Google services that customers use to find your business 1 month 🔻 Total views 7.69K 800 Listing on Search 4.89K 600 Listing on Maps 2.81K 400 200 Aug 23 Aug 30 Sep 6



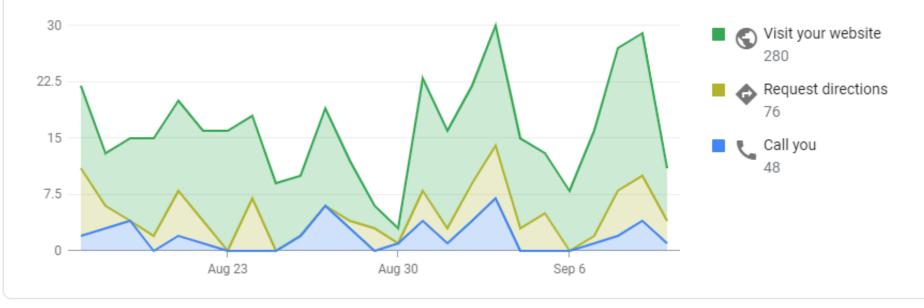
#### Customer actions

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The most common actions that customers take on your listing

1 month 🔻

#### Total actions 404



#### Directions requests



The areas where customers request directions to your business from



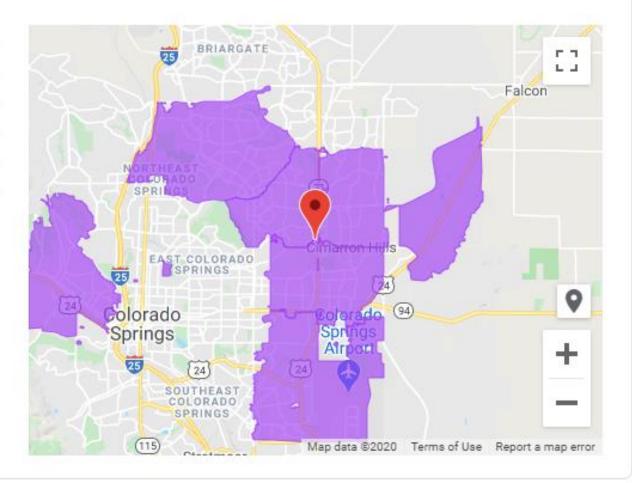
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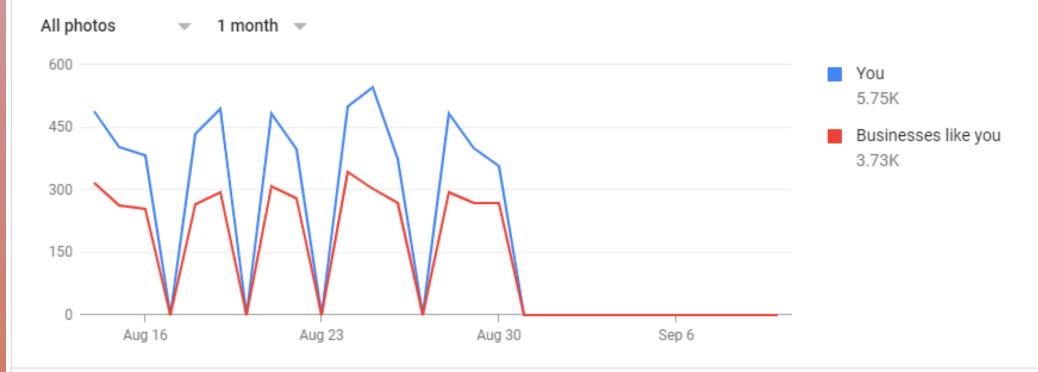




#### Photo views



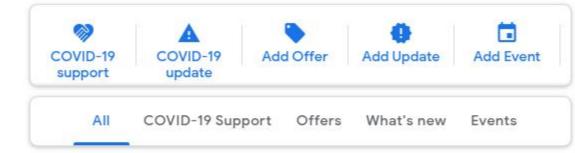
The number of times your business photos have been viewed, compared to photos from other businesses

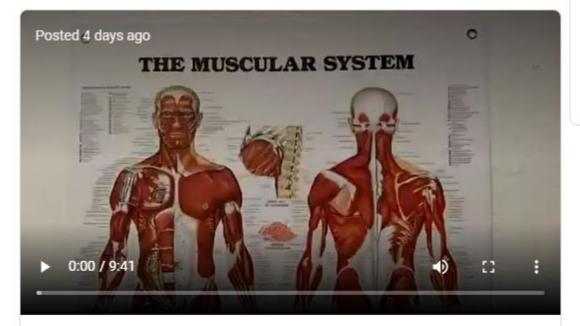




Your photos receive 53.9% more views than similar businesses. Post more to stay ahead







The benefits of Manual Passive Stretching #massage #massagetherapy #massageeducation #massagetraining

#### Your posts

New views this week

208

Updated just now

Reach more customers through posts







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