## Strategic Marketing Playbook Resource Plan Team Structure

# **Building Blocks**

### BRAND STRATEGY

Defines what you want to stand for. Evaluate ~5 years.

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

- Why Your Brand Exists
- Promise & Secret Sauce
- Ideal Target & Roles
- Brand Architecture
- Naming Strategy
- Personality & Tone-of-Voice

### COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

How, when and where you will communicate. Changes annually.

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

- Hero's Story Outline
- One Liner vs Competition
- Key Messages
- Journey Map
- Journey Map Calendar View
- Channel Strategy
- Style Guide

### MARKETING PLAN

How you will deliver results. Changes based on priorities.

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

- Marketing Plan Overview
- Priorities, Tactics & KPI's
- Calendar Overview
- Budget Priorities
- KPI Tracker
- Results Dashboard

### RESOURCE PLAN

How you will resource the marketing team.

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

- Resource Plan Overview
- Team Structure
- Internal Roles & Responsibilities
- External Resource Scope



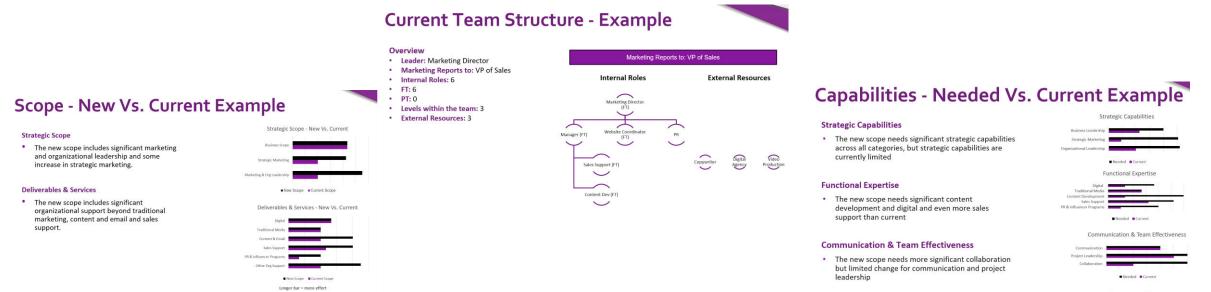
## **Team Structure**

How you will resource marketing, including the relationships between activities, leadership and team members

### **Steps to Create a Team Structure**

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## **Review the Resource Plan Overview Inputs**



Longer bar = more capability

### **Opportunities & Constraints - Example**

#### Opportunities

- Current lean team enables building the new team from the ground up
- Long-term organizational commitment to building a world class marketing org including hiring additional resources and building bench strength
- 3. Working towards an aligned strategic plan and clear priorities across the organization
- 4. Good timing with new marketing leader

#### Constraints

- Significant new marketing capabilities required
   History of reactivity and lack of sustained focus from/for marketing team will make change
- more difficult
   Finding people to work in our location and/or organizational alignment to remote/hybrid resources for some roles

#### **Resource Plan Overview - Example**



The scope of work has shifted significantly and into areas that the current team does not have moderate to significant capability

Insight	Indicated Action
Significant scope increase in strategic marketing, but there isn't significant internal capability	Either train a current team member or hire a marketing leader with strategic marketing capability
Organization has a marketing leader and with strategic capability but the scope of work includes a significant level of content development and there is limited capability in this	Consider hiring an external resource and/or an internal role to manage the content development

## Assess Current Internal Roles & Responsibilities

- Review the current job description for each role
- Review the current project lists to identify the major buckets of work that is being done and about how much time for each (conduct a time study if you need to)
- Discuss what's working/what's not working with team and leadership
  - Do the job descriptions describe the work that needs to be done?
  - Are the people performing the tasks in the job descriptions?
  - Is anyone performing tasks that are not listed in the job descriptions?
- Create a list of opportunities and gaps for the current Roles and Responsibilities

## Internal Roles & Responsibilities Assessment - Example

- Job descriptions describe the work that needs to be done by role
- Marketing Dir is performing tasks on everyone's job descriptions
- Project Manager, Specialist are not performing all job description responsibilities
- The marketing team is managing many non-marketing responsibilities
- Don't have the capacity to manage External Resources

Position Title: Corporate Assignment: Department: Employment Status: Reports To: Date Revised:

#### Director of Marketing Marketing Strategy & Marketing Non Exempt-Salary Senior Vice President 10/9/20

#### General Position Summary:

The Director of Marketing will be responsible for driving topline revenue by developing and leading a cohesive marketing strategy to include all of the branding, advertising and communications efforts for the Planes Companies. The Manager will help "tell the story" of the unique value that the Planes Companies brings to its customers through the innovative and customizable solutions it creates in the moving, warehousing and transportation industries.

Job Description

As such, the Director of Marketing will act as the Creative Director for the department ensuring the creative content & marketing materials produced are consistent with the brand strategy, brand guidelines and message strategy. Additionally, the Director of Marketing's responsibilities will include creating compelling content that drives awareness, measurable interaction and improves the overall brand prospecting efforts via a digital marketing plan.

# **Assess Current External Scopes**

- Review all External Scope Documents
- Review the external resource current project lists to identify the major buckets of work that is being done and about how much time for each
- Discuss what's working/what's not working with team and leadership
  - Do the scopes describe the work that needs to be done?
  - Are the people performing the tasks in the scopes?
  - Is the team performing tasks that are not listed in the scopes?
- Create a list of opportunities and gaps for the current External Scopes

## **External Scopes Assessment - Example**

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•	Several agencies working on
	projects

- Video agency is providing digital advertising but doesn't have the expertise
- The graphic designer doesn't have a scope
- Advertising agency isn't performing all duties in scope

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## **Internal vs. External Best Practices**

### Internal Teams

- Owns mission-critical roles
- Orchestrate all activities
- Creates marketing strategies based on company strategies and priorities
- Provide targets, deliverables and metrics (ROI-focused style)
- Provide perspective about company operations & culture
- Owns data and technology

### **External Resources**

- Specialized skills, experience, and flexibility
  - Digital, social & web design
  - Content (writing, graphic design)
  - Advertising
  - Research
  - Lead generation
  - Project management
- Execution, Tracking, Analysis, Recommendations
- Collaborating with other agencies and internal team

# Marketing Roles by Level Guidelines

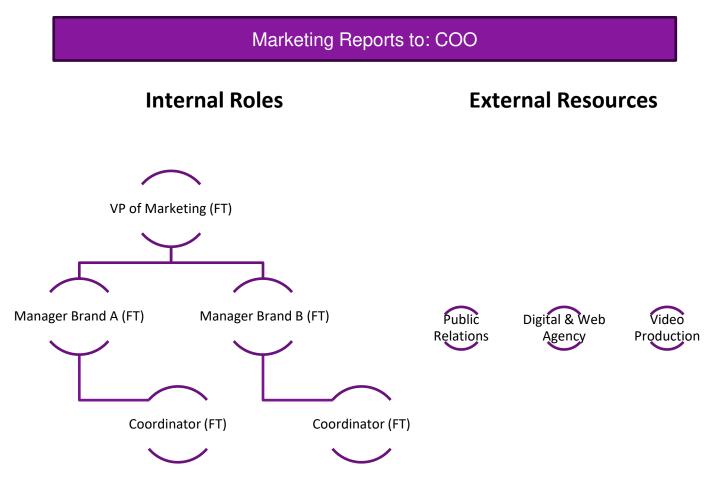
Role	Description
Chief Marketing Officer (CMO) / Vice President	<ul> <li>10-20 years of experience and probably need additional education like an MBA.</li> <li>Oversee all elements of the function and usually a member of the c-suite leadership team.</li> <li>Demonstrates high levels of strategic, functional and communication and team effectiveness capabilities.</li> </ul>
Director	<ul> <li>7-10 years of experience and might need additional education like an MBA.</li> <li>Oversees others who implement marketing activities.</li> <li>Demonstrates moderate to high levels of strategic, functional and communication and team effectiveness capabilities.</li> </ul>
Manager	<ul> <li>3-5 years of experience. Has a more direct role in creating the marketing plan, including developing strategies, messaging.</li> <li>May or may not supervise others.</li> <li>Demonstrates moderate levels of strategic, functional and communication and team effectiveness capabilities.</li> </ul>
Specialist / Coordinator	<ul> <li>Entry-level role that implements the tactical elements of the marketing plan.</li> <li>Doesn't supervise others.</li> <li>Demonstrates limited levels of strategic, functional and communication and team effectiveness capabilities.</li> </ul>



## New Marketing Team Structure - Example

### **Overview**

- Leader: VP of Marketing
- Marketing Reports to: COO
- Internal Roles: 5
- FT: 5
- **PT:** 0
- Levels within the team: 3
- External Resources: 3



# **Recap – Team Structure**

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