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The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette advertising team strives to exceed our partners' expectations by developing *customized marketing solutions* through innovative digital, print and direct mail products targeted to their neighborhood, the *Pittsburgh community* and beyond.





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#### Let's Talk About Influencer Marketing:

- ✓ What is it?
- ✓ Why does it work?
- Finding influencers
- How to create an influencer marketing strategy
- Examples
- ✓ Q&A





## What is influencer marketing?



Influencer marketing is a relationship between a brand and an influencer. The influencer promotes the brand's products or services through various media outlets such as Instagram and YouTube. Influencers must be trusted figures within a niche community and retain a loyal following. In addition, they typically possess knowledge or experience about what they are advertising.

















## Why does influencer marketing work?

Influencer marketing is one of the best ways to quickly build your brand online and raise awareness among your target audience.

- **Builds Trust and Shows Authority**
- Improves Brand Awareness
- Effectively Reaches Your Target Audience and **Drives Purchasing Decisions**
- Access To Millennial & Gen Z Consumers
- Influencers Are Trendsetters
- Long-Term Influencer Relationships
- Immense Reach & Visibility
- Manage Your Brands Reputation
- Lead Generation
- Long-Term Benefits

The average user spends about 2 hours & 24 minutes on social media per day







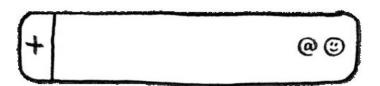


### How do I find influencers?



Identify the right person to help you improve your brand awareness and reach. It may seem time consuming but once you find a few, you can expand on them pretty easily.

- ✓ Google Search
- ✓ Social Media
- Referrals
- Blogs
- ✓ Influencer Software
- ✓ Talent Agencies & Agents









#### Where do I start?

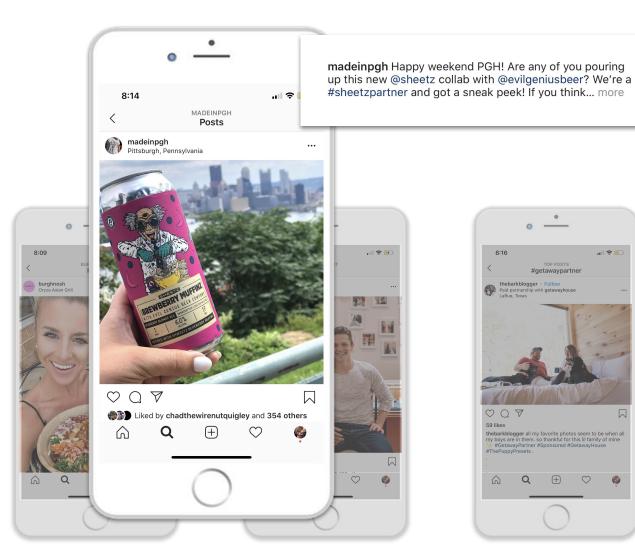
- Finding the right strategy will allow you to manage all aspects of your relationship with an influencer. It'll also ensure they're successful in helping you achieve your campaign goals.
  - Determine your campaign goals
  - ✓ Define your campaign audience
  - Set your budget and choose your influencer type
  - ✓ Choose your influencer and review their work
  - ✓ Develop your campaign messaging for your influencer
  - ✓ Finalize campaign expectations with your influencer
  - Reward your influencer
  - Measure your results





## **Example: Sheetz**









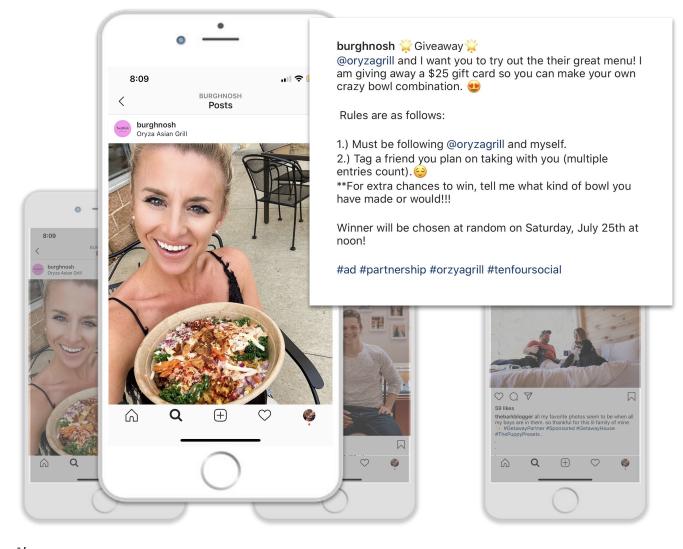






## **Example: Oryza**





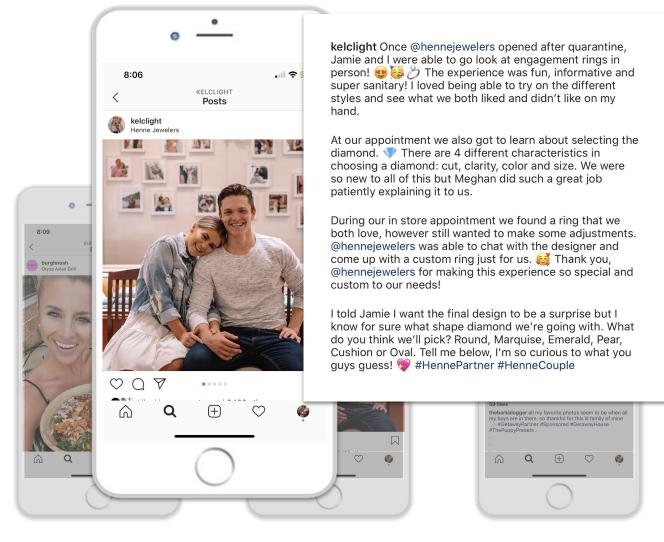






### **Example: Henne Jewelers**



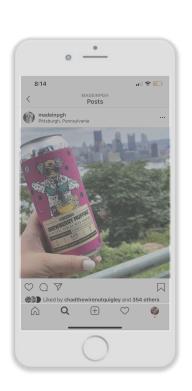


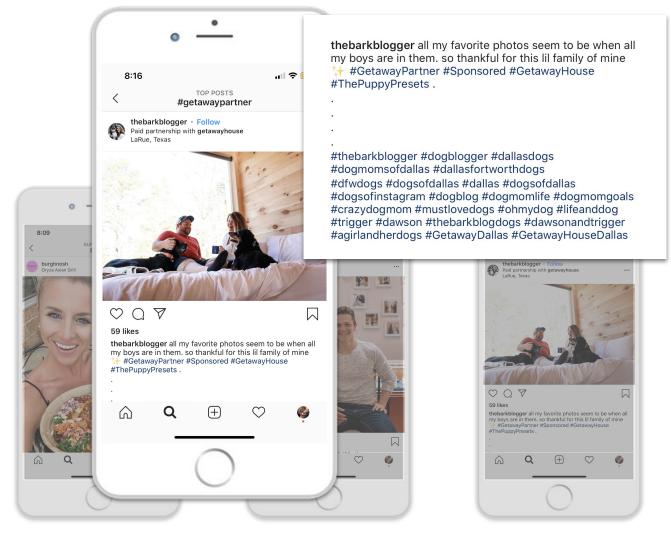






## **Example: Getaway House**













## **Questions?**









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# Thank you!



