# AGRBYES

**Digital Marketing for Ag Dealers** Presented by Mark Beuerman

Note: This presentation has been designed so you do not need to take notes and can listen. The entire presentation with additional notes and a video recording of this session will be uploaded soon at www.agribytes.ca/conference



#### Who the heck is this Mark **Beuerman guy? Ontario farm kid turned** digital marketing expert

"You can take the boy off the farm, but you can't take the farm out of the boy," ~ unknown



# Agromart connection since my childhood

Mark's mom worked for Hoegy's Farm Supply for 25+ years. Mark also grew up playing hockey with Ryan, who is the same age.

Helped ignite entrepreneurial spirit.

### **My Ontario Roots** A few snaps from the past







# So, how'd I get to BC?

My wife and I moved to Vancouver Island, I started managing a website in 2009 and everything grew from there...

### And into web design?

# websites made with





# Helping Agromarts get online

Hoegy's Farm Supply The Agromant Group TCO Agromart • Truro Agromart Harriston Agromart Alliance Agri-Turf Fingal Farm Supply

Munro's Agromart



We have truly become a niche agromart website design agency, so we sub-branded ourselves as

# AgriBytes

#### Stay tuned for...

Brussels Agromart's new website is coming soon...

### We're certified & recognized A little about us, we're small but mighty!





# The Netty </winner> Awards

... and we're growing strong

### **Today's Talk** Growing and managing your online presence

#### Benefits of a Website

#### Google Business Profiles

#### Web Accessibility

#### Our Services & Pricing

#### **Responsive Design**



### Let's get started...

#### **Benefits of a Website**

### Perks of a website **Benefits**

#### **Generate Leads**

#### **Find Employees** via Careers

#### **Company History**

#### Showcase your products & services

#### **Builds Credibility** & Trust

# Do I need a website?

#### In 2025, why wouldn't you?



#### Builds Trust & Credibility

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Showcase your suppliers & brands

Attract talent via careers pages

Provide company history and story

### **Building Trust Your Company** Strong interest in learning who you are and your company's history. These pages can often be viewed *more* than service or product pages.

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3	/products/	453		2	/about/	51
4	/careers/	302		2 /aantaat/		45
5	/about/	296		3	/contact/	45
6	/services/	116		4	/careers/	36

Source: GA4 The Agromart Group (left) Harriston (right)

### Who are you? Timelines tell a compelling story, visitors love old pictures and being a part of your story

#### **Harvex History**

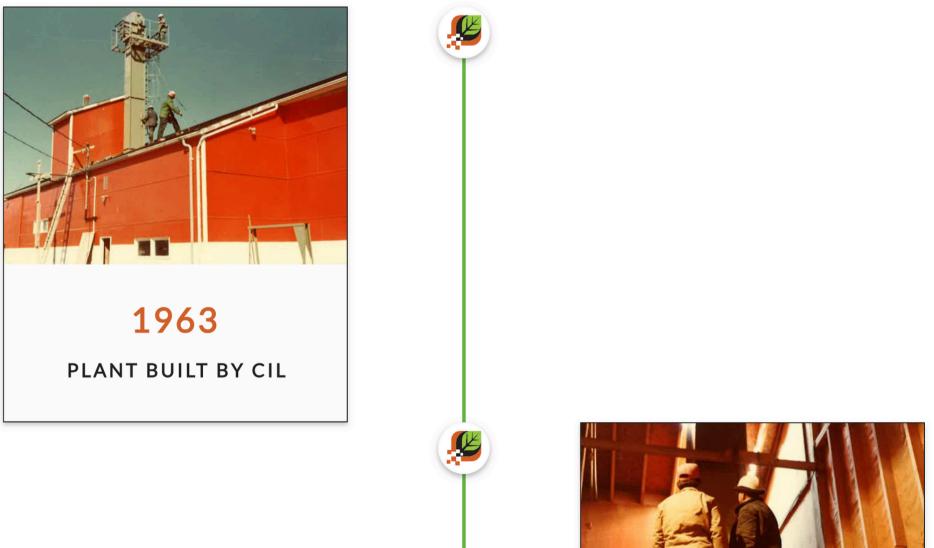
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#### 1945

Dixie & Egan started as a feed manufacturer, egg grading & Ful-o-Pep (Quaker) location

> 1957 John Creighton joined and bought shares in the business



#### They connect us to the past & prepare us for the future.

Source: Harvex and Brussels Agromart (in development)

#### **KEY MILESTONES**

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### **Generate Leads &** Sales

#### **Sell Products, Showcase Services**

### **Attract New Talent Career/Job Posting Pages**

#### agronomist job

agronomist job description

agronomy intern

agronomy sales

alpine fertilizer

amidas fertilizer

application for sales job



**Open Positions** 

**Total views since September 2022** 

3.020

Source: GSC TCO Agromart

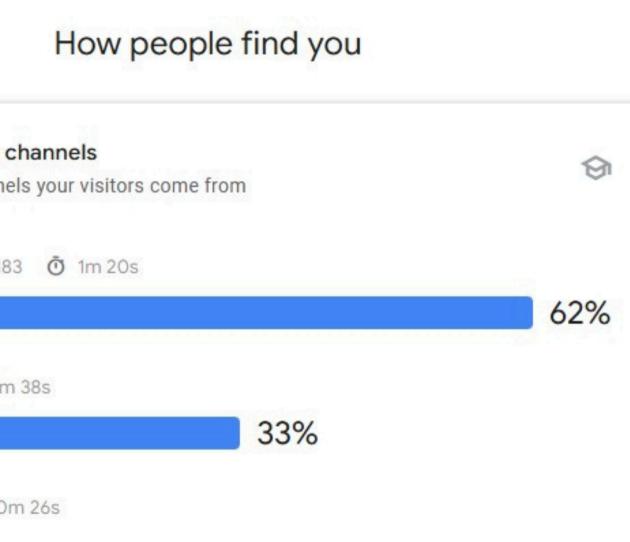
# Farming and Agriculture Career Options

Find organically through SEO, or target with SEM

### Attract New Talent Career/Job Posting Pages

Agricultural Careers   Join Our Team	
Top Search queries:	
	Top traffic     Which chann
Most jobs are found through	Organic Search @ 18
organic searches!	Direct © 98 Ō Or
	Referral © 11 ⊙ 0

Source: GSC Harvex Agromart (left) TCO Agromart (right)





#### **Apply for Sales Agronomist**

Please complete the confidential and secure form below. Thank you to all applicants. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Name *						
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Email *						
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### It's easy to post new opportunities **Streamline the process**

- Simple website form to enter job info and PDF

- Resumes and other info straight to your inbox



• Job listing automatically uploads to your website • Users fill out a simple form with their resume attached

## Moving right along...

#### Web Accessibility







" It involves designing and developing websites in a way that people with disabilities, such as those with visual, auditory, motor, and cognitive impairments, can perceive, understand, navigate, and interact with the website and its content."



### What is Web Accessibility?

#### Web accessibility refers to making websites usable for people with disabilities.

"Web accessibility ensures that everyone has equal access to information and services on the web, regardless of their abilities. This includes individuals who use assistive technologies, such as screen readers, to access the web."

### What is Web Accessibility?

Is it a big deal?

- accessibility across the web. by 2025.
- Yes. In Ontario, it's also the law. • Established in 2005 to help improve • 20 year timeline with expected results

- Screen readers or larger text size
- Contrast/color adjustment
- Muted tones and disabling animations



# Who must comply?

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA)

#### 20 or more employees

If you have 20 or more employees, you must <u>file an accessibility compliance report</u> every three years.

The last reporting deadline was **December 31, 2023**. You are still required to file a 2023 report even though the deadline has passed.

The next reporting deadline will be December 31, 2026. We will share information on how to complete your report for this deadline in 2026.

**Source:** https://www.ontario.ca/page/guide-accessibility-compliance-industry#section-1

### Are there other benefits? Having an accessible website can improve your SEO

"Accessible websites enjoy increased traffic, reduced bounce rates, improved SEO rankings, and better conversion rates. An accessible website means that you're making it easier for people to find your website.

A new study by Semrush analyzed 847 web domains and found that:

- There was a 12% average increase in overall traffic for all domains
- 73.4% of domains saw growth in organic traffic
- 66.1% of all domains saw growth in organic traffic of up to 50%

With Google constantly calculating search engine result page (SERP) rankings by evaluating sites based partly on web page usability and user experience, it logically follows that websites with more accessibility features would be prioritized over sites without those accommodations."

Source: <u>https://newsroom.semrush.com/news/study-is-web-accessibility-key-to-driving-organic-traffic</u>

#### X ENGLISH ~ Accessibility Adjustments Ø Hide Interface CRESET Settings Statement Q Unclear content? Search in dictionary... Choose the right accessibility profile for you Seizure Safe Profile \$ Clear flashes & reduces color Vision Impaired Profile OFF ON Enhances website's visuals ADHD Friendly Profile ⊟ OFF ON More focus & fewer distractions Cognitive Disability Profile OFF ON • Assists with reading & focusing Keyboard Navigation (Motor) $\rightarrow$ OFF ON Use website with the keyboard Web Accessibility By **v** accessiBe Learn More >

#### https://accessibe.com/

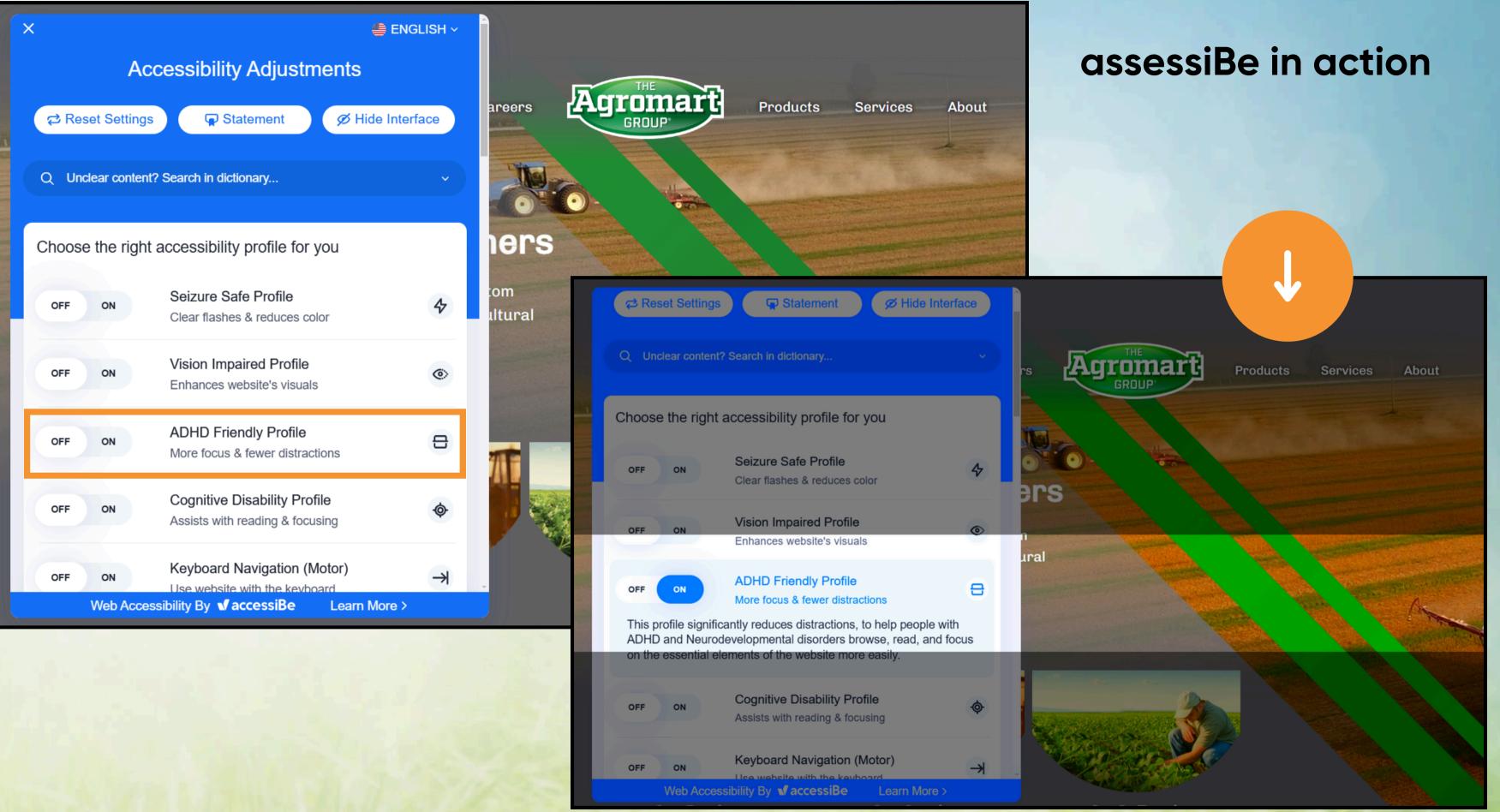
AgriBytes connects your Agromart with an accessibility plugin on their websites. To meet AODA compliance.

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**Powered By Al Automatic Updates** WCAG 2.1 AA Compliant Suitable for WordPress websites

# How AgriBytes can help?





OFF	ON	Cognitive Disability Profile Assists with reading & focusing				
OFF	ON	Keyboard Navigation (Motor)				
	Web Acc	cessibility By <b>√accessiBe</b> Learn More >				

### Tried, Tested, and True What are our options?

- Our team at AgriBytes tested multiple accessibility plugins, and all had issues except for accessiBe.
- Others were not AODA compliant and in some cases, made the website worse.
- accessiBe is the best web accessibility plugin we have used.

**\$490** / YEAR (USD)

- Need help? We can set up for a one-time fee of \$97 CAD
- accessiBe billing will be set up directly to your credit card (no markup by AgriBytes/WMWL)

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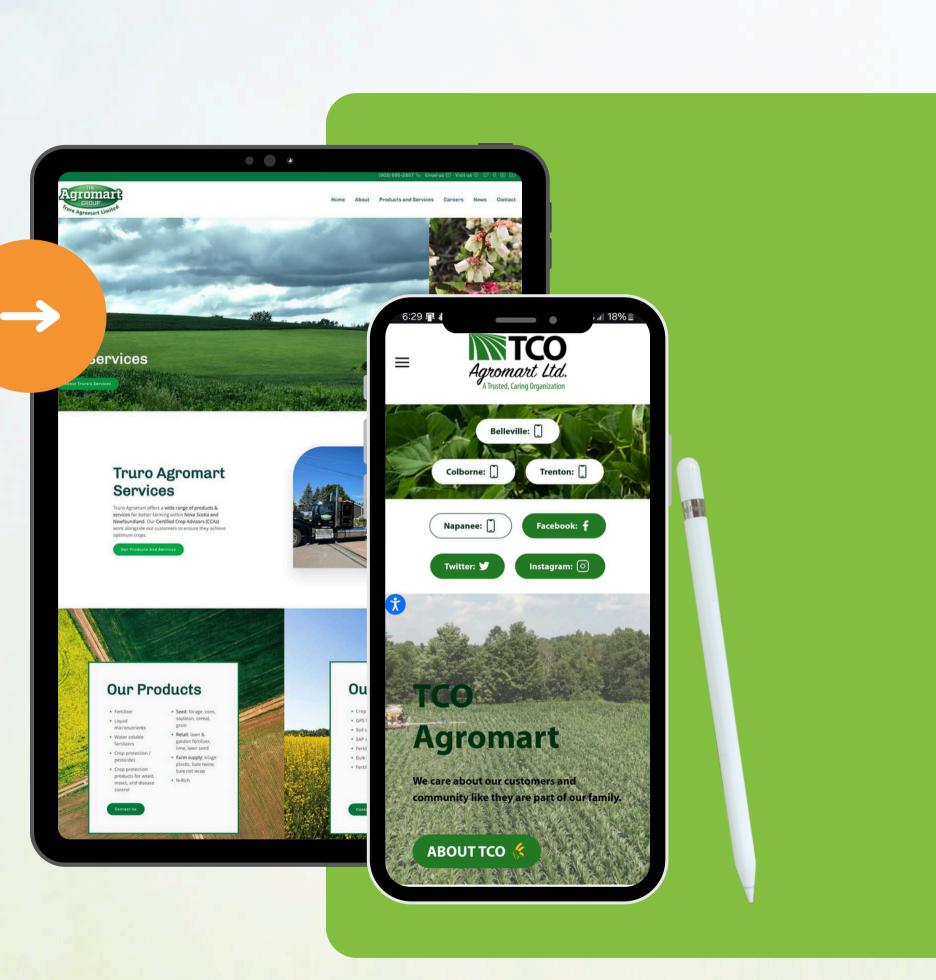
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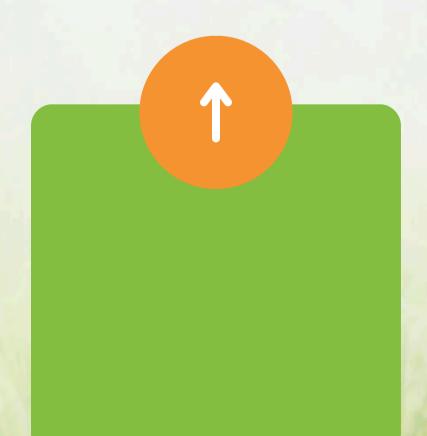
### Responsive Design

What does mobile-friendly mean? Why is it important?

Would you close your shop's door to half your customers?









#### Truro Agromart Ltd.

Serving farmers in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland fertilizer, crop protection, and seed for over 70 years in the Maritimes.

Learn About Truro

#### Your cron





**Contact Truro Agromart** 



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#### Lawn & Garden

Does your lawn need a boost? Are you planting a garden? Don't know where to start? We can help! Our line-up of lawn and garden products will give your soil what it needs to help rejuvenate your landscape.

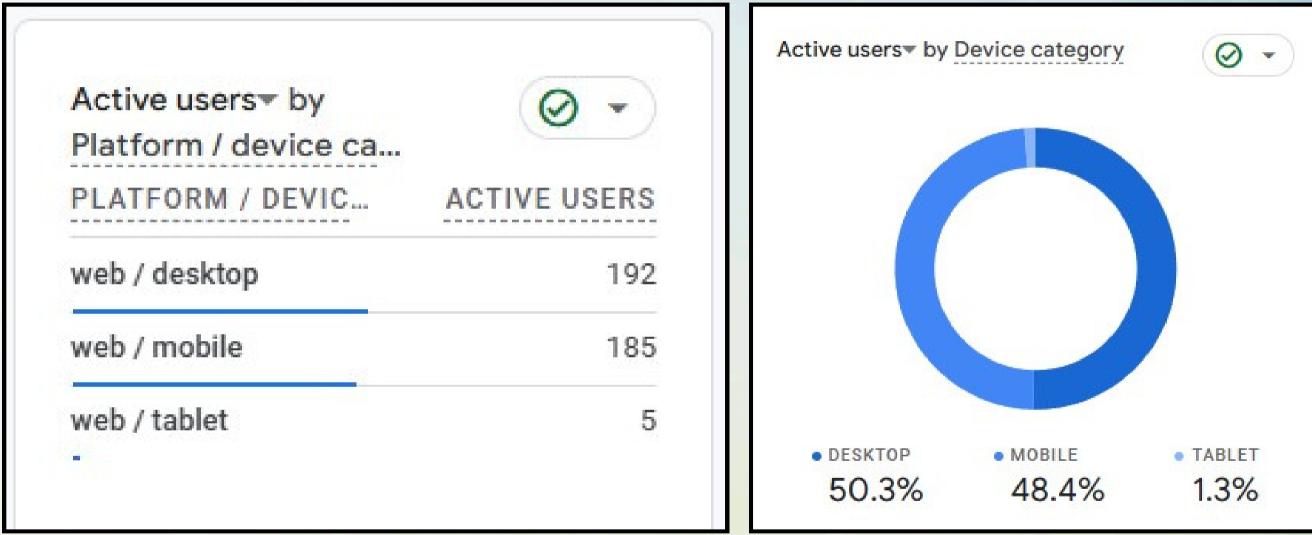
View Products

Contact Truro Agromart

for all your agricultural needs

Contact Us

#### **Active Users Mobile Friendly**



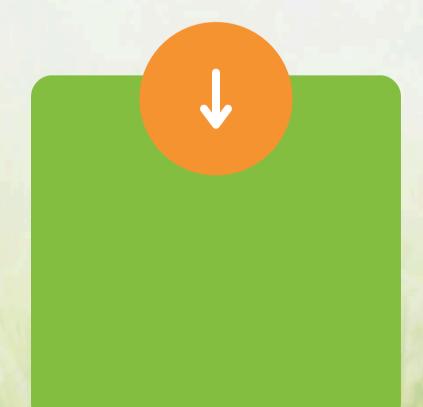
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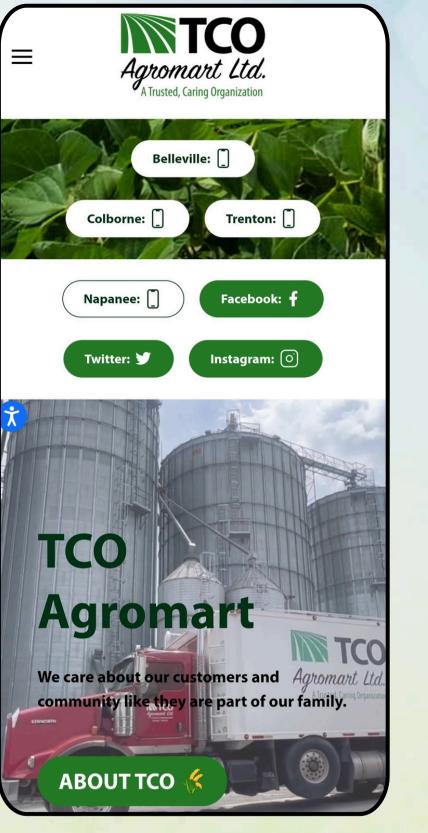


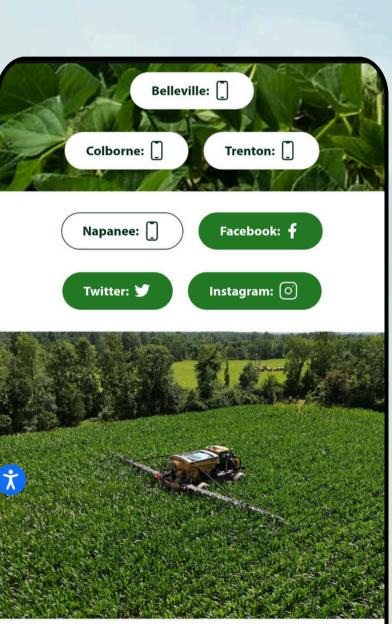


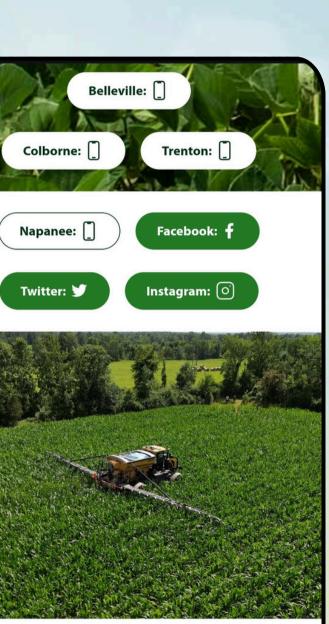
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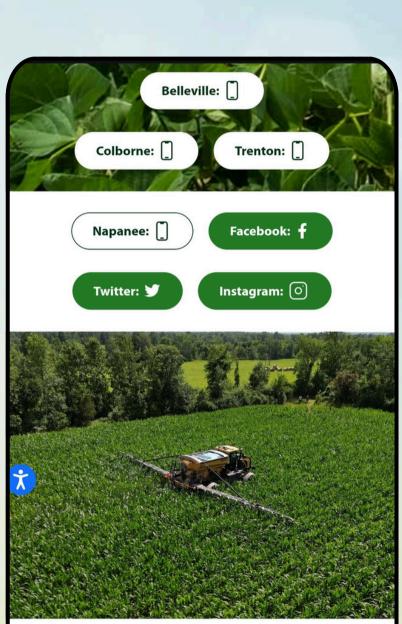
#### 50.5% Mobile Users











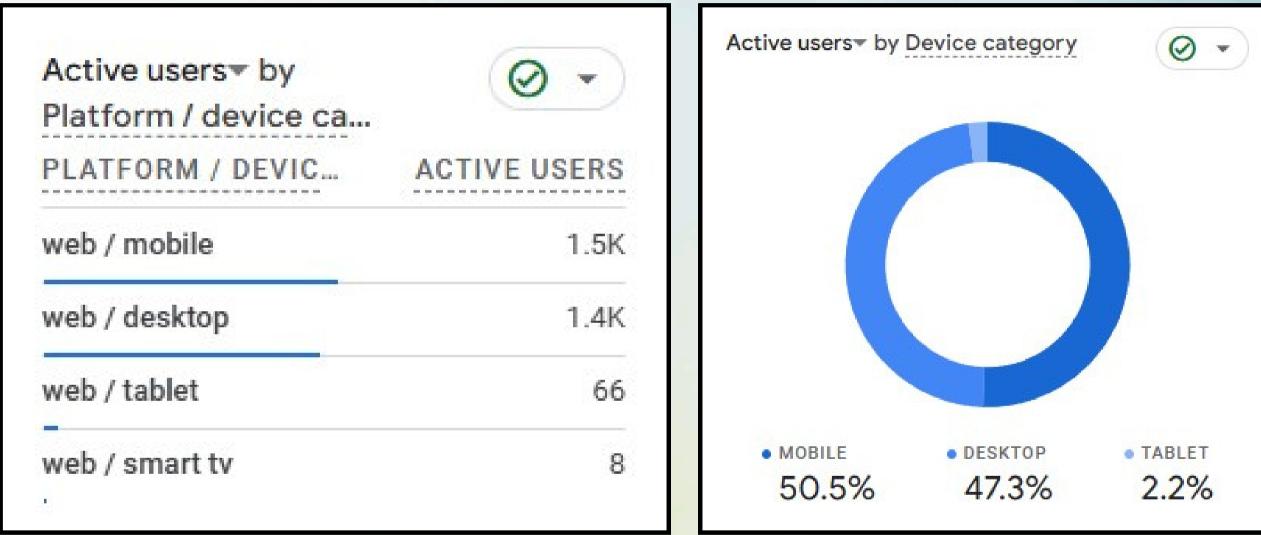


#### **About TCO** Agromart

TCO Agromart is a leading provider of crop inputs and services in Central Eastern Ontario. Over the years, we have grown through numerous structural changes. Our commitment to provide quality products and exceptional customer service to the agricultural community has remained constant.



#### **Active Users Mobile Friendly**



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Source: GA4 TCO Agromart



- after visiting a website.
- Not what they wanted or expected
- Frustrating Experience
- User leave when they get to a bad mobile UE

### Lost Customers

- device.

### **Bad Mobile** Design?

Why does it matter? What are the consequences?







• Occurs when users quickly hit the "back" button

• Close to 50% of our clients' visitors use a mobile

• A bad design loses potential customers, looks cheap/dated, and is **PREVENTABLE**.

### Our designs are for everyone Mobile-friendly designs encourage growth and sales





#### HARRISTON **AGROMART INC.**

With deep roots, Harriston Agromart Inc. provides quality agricultural products and services.

#### HARRISTON



**Fingal Farm Supply Limited has** been an integral part of agriculture and country life since 1970

Contact us 🜔

REAL



#### AGRICULTURE

Hoegy's Farm Supply Ltd. is a thirdgeneration family owned and operated business that has been serving Brodhagen and the surrounding rural communities since 1948. It was originally known as W.C. Hoegy Fertilizer.

**Our Services** 

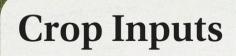
**SERVICES** 

**Employment Opportunities** 

**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND** 



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We make crop management hassle free.



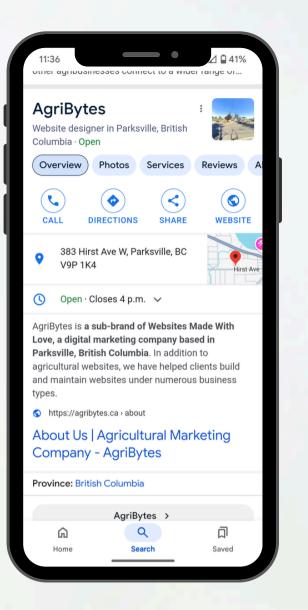
## I love these, because they're free...

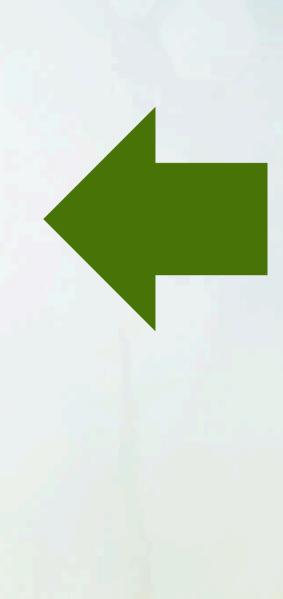
#### Google Business Profiles



# Google Business Profile Why is it important?

### It's kind of like the ol' YellowPages book, but online and FREE!



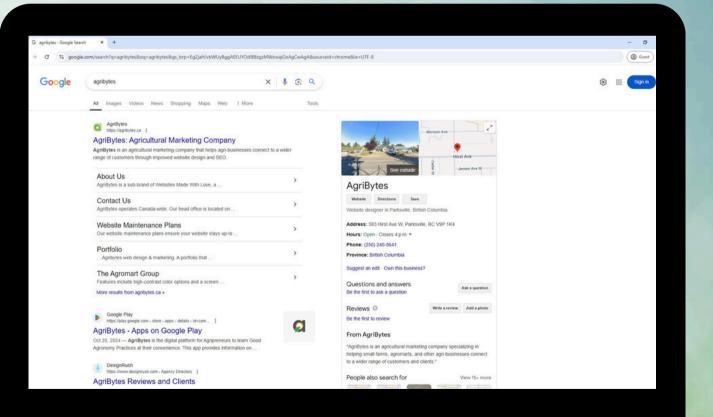


#### **Crucial info at your fingertips**

- Call the business directly (one-click!)
- Business Hours
- Address/Map
- Interior/Exterior Photos

#### **Big impact on desktop**

- Takes up half the screen
- Like a FREE advertisement!
- Same features as mobile view
- Images and map are larger



## Importance of Reviews **Quality and Quantity Matters**



#### Joanna

"We cannot express how impressed we are with their exceptional web design services tailored for the agriculture industry."



- First-contact point of info
- Good first impression
- Google reviews before deciding to contact
- Best to reply to all reviews positive and negative
- 5 Star reviews help boost SEO
- GBP Interaction boosts Local SEO

Hint: we have a tool to help, more on that later





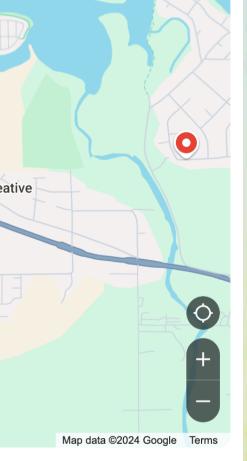
Local Map Pack

#### Generates based on user's location

Google

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Reviews, # Years In Business, Location, & More

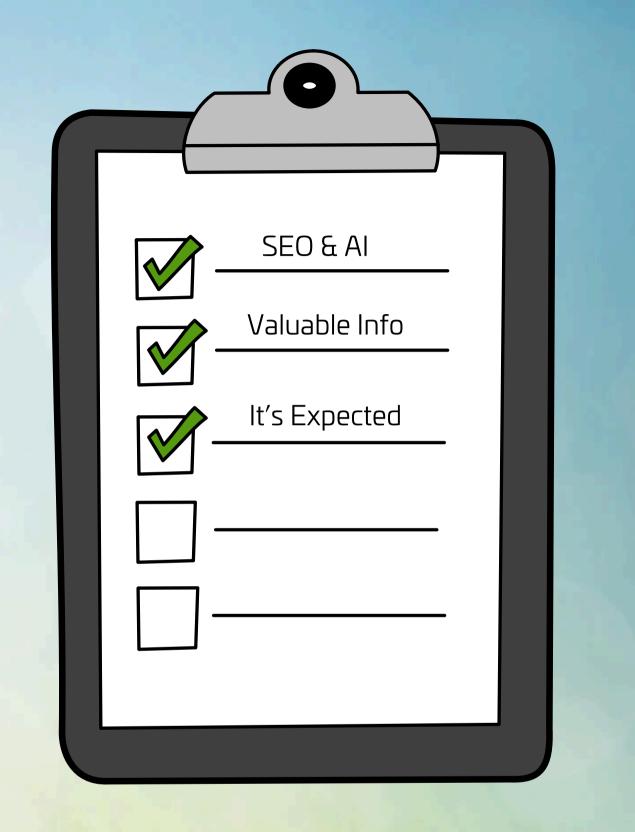


### Do I need a GBP? YES! Most businesses have one, especially your competitors!

Al is getting better and drawing from as many sources as possible.

A well-tuned GBP is a smart choice.





#### Remember, it's FREE Don't get left behind, claim your GBP.

## Free listing, you only pay for us to optimize listing.



# GBP Management Services



- Weekly, biweekly, or monthly updates
- Optimization for services, contact info, categories, etc



- We'll help you get verified • Auto-apply new tips and improvements to your listing • Need more? Add-on management services are available.

**Cost and Setup** 

#### Starting from \$59/month

#### Setup & Management

#### Basic

1 Update/Month

Photos

Local & Map Rank Tracker

Local Marketing Audit

#### Standard

Everything in basic plus...

Local Rank Tracker

Service Area Business Scans

Trend Reports

#### \$99/Month\*

\$59/Month\*

\*Min 6 month commitment

#### Premium

#### Everything in standard plus...

#### Listing Change Monitoring

#### **Review Generator**

#### \$139/Month<sup>\*</sup>

## Some additional info...

#### **Our Services and** Pricing

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It varies, often starting at \$4,500 for a 5-page website, up to \$10,000 if robust

## How much does a website cost for Agromarts?

\$4,500+ websites are simple: Home, About, Products, Services & Contact

**Additional features include:** 

- Career pages/forms
  Markets/weather widget
- integration (DTN, etc)
  More pages (seed, etc)
  Expanded timeline (history)

## **AgriBytes' Portfolio Agromarts and Agri-Businesses in Ontario and Eastern Canada**



#### View online agribytes.ca/portfolio

## **Review Generator**

#### A simple tool to encourage customers to leave reviews on Google, Facebook, etc.

#### FEEDBACK REQUEST

First Name *	Last Name *
Email *	
SUBMIT	

#### Business owners enter in the name and email, we do the rest.



## Automated email to the customer

#### **Encourage positive customer reviews.**

Crystal, Can we have a moment of your time? (External) > Inbox ×



John G Plumbing Inc. to crystal 💌

Hi Crystal,

How have you been? It's Gabi from John G. Plumbing.

Recently, you hired us for a plumbing or gas fitting job. As we value your business, we want to see if there is anything we can do to improve your experience for next time. If you have any feedback, please reply to us at office@johngplumbing.com or call us at (250) 797-0858.

Reviews like yours help our family business grow and let others see that we do good work. If you are happy with our service, we'd appreciate it if you leave a review on Google. If you're able to add photos to the review, that helps everyone.

Please follow this link to leave us a review: https://g.page/r/CaoFFluIG4ROEAE/review

Thank you, we appreciate and value your business.

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#### Help prevent bad ones from going public.

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## **Email Marketing** Are you building a list? Sending out a newsletter? We make it easy.

CTIVECAMO ARTNER Starting at \$33/month

Send automatic emails based on RSS feeds, such as when you update an event or blog on your website and so much more!

Automations galore with Active Campaign!

## We're here to help you grow.

Plenty of ways to grow online

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#### **Grow Your Website**

#### **Optimize Google Business Profile**

Get more reviews with our Review Generator SEO/SEM Services

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