Sales Program Update Case Study of a Financial Institution

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Targeted Objective:

Regional bank looking to more effectively compete with both local and national banks by aligning revenue opportunities with better customer service and incorporating a soft-sell culture.

Primary Goal:

Raise Revenue by Matching Customer's Needs with

Current and New Bank Services through Up-Selling and Cross-Selling.

Initial Observations & Concerns:

- Other than CEO, Executives, and Management, Tellers Not Involved in Sales Process
- Required: Accountability Mechanisms; Goals & Performance Metrics
- Required: Sales Activity Tracking Mechanism
- Required: Sales Training Components Added to Online Compliance Curriculum
- Low Level Employee Product Knowledge Lacking
- Required: Marketing Efforts to Ensure New Traffic for Conversion Opportunities
- Required: Executive and Management Networking Efforts / Strategic Alliances
- Website User Friendly Issues Interfering with Online Services & Up-Sale Success

Initial Actions Taken:

- Conducted 1-2-1's Executive Level and down Assess Individual Strengths & Weaknesses
 / Address Concerns
- Monthly Management Mastermind Group Created with All Branch Managers
- Developed and Implements Sales Training and Performance Objectives
- Created Strategic Selling Strategies Based on Customer Focus and Interactive Opportunities
- Ancillary Partners Incorporated into Product/Sales Training to Capitalize on Additional Streams of Revenue

Initial Actions Taken Cont'd:

• Collaborated with CFO to Generate Manager Reports for Tracking Goals; Percentage to Goals Achieved; and, Commission Earned

Actions Taken:

- Collaborated with VP of Operations to Create and Implement Work-Around Procedures for Customer Relationship and Sales Activity Tracking
- Put on Application Waiting List from Systems Provider for Site/Mobile Apps

Actions Taken Cont'd:

- Research Assigned Review All Internal Banking Products and Rates/Minimum/Fees and Compare with two Competitors
- Executives and Management Required to Attend Minimum of Two (2) Networking Events per Month
- Introduced Branch Managers to 7-minute teller one-on-ones to be Conducted
 Weekly for Performance Review and to Provide coaching

Current State of Affairs:

After Initial 6 Months of Implementation:	Teller Impact on Totals
Primary's (Chkg; Svg)	53%
Upsells (ATM; Debit; Online Banking; Bill Pay; CD's; and more.)	75%
Loan Referrals	25%