

Using Downtown Events To Market Your Business

A bar owner was able to turn the disruption of a local Downtown festival into a lots of sales from one drink. "The Fluffachino" was born out of a Downtown Event in Somerville, Mass celebrating Marshmallow Fluff.

- Encourage customers to enter a drawing for a door prize.
 Once customers have filled out the entry card, you can use the information to send out promotional mailings
- Give out "bounce back" coupons. These coupons have an expiration date within a short time frame allowing you to determine the success of the event.
- Wash windows and open doors; sweep the curb and walkways directly in front of your building
- Dress up window displays and merchandising with the events theme
- Create a fun atmosphere in your store by creating activity.
 Event patrons are more likely to visit a busy store.
- Offer to hold customers' purchases so they will not have to carry the bags around all day.
- Have a sidewalk sale
- Giveaway samples or promotional items



For more information or other ideas, contact the Wake Forest Downtown Revitalization Corporation at 919-570-1372 or Maggie@wakeforestdowntown.com.

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