

Client FFF Enterprises

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fffenterprises.com

Description

FFF Enterprises is the nation's leading supplier of critical-care biopharmaceuticals, plasma products, and vaccines. They service over 80 percent of U.S. hospitals and have over 32,000 customers helping to drive innovation, and generate over \$1 billion in revenue.

Services

eCommerce Consulting Documentation

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Unfolding New Paths to Revenue

Pierce Washington provided FFF Enterprises with an eBusiness Roadmap to guide their web sales and support strategy, giving them a framework to increase revenue and reduce costs, while also supporting new opportunities for untapped B2C revenue.

Challenge

Over the past twenty years, FFF Enterprises has grown by providing superior customer service. Their overall customer strategy includes a field sales force that manages their largest customer relationships, an inside sales team, and a team of customer service representatives to take orders, check order status, and provide other manual customer support.

As a company, they were faced with the following business challenges:

- Increase revenue: By increasing the number of customer orders placed on-line, they could shift
 existing CSRs to revenue-generating positions to increase revenue without increasing headcount.
- New channel opportunities: Historically, FFF Enterprises was a B2B organization. However, they
 recognized a new B2C channel that could dramatically increase their revenue. The existing
 technology platform would not scale to take advantage of that opportunity.
- Inefficient manual processes: Nearly all orders were taken via telephone and fax. There was a tremendous opportunity to shift the order mix without compromising customer satisfaction.

Solution / Result

Pierce Washington conducted a two-week, fixed price eBusiness Roadmap. The process included:

- Interviewing subject matter experts to understand their current state, and business leaders (CFO, COO, VPs Marketing) to understand future state business goals.
- Documenting the "as-is" state and "to-be" state to identify a set of recommendations and considerations based on the desired path forward.
- Creating an eBusiness roadmap to provide a strategic plan for how they could leverage the web to achieve their business goals.



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The eBusiness Roadmap provided the following benefits for our client:

Alignment: Key business and IT stakeholders are aligned in terms of their eBusiness goals and how and where to utilize technology to enable those goals.

Objective Point of View: FFF Enterprises liked the structured process that we took them through. By soliciting input from each stakeholder group, everyone bought into the process and recommendations.

Decision Framework: There are a number of decisions coming out of this Roadmap engagement. The process provides a more objective framework to make better business decisions for the optimal path forward.

Documentation: FFF Enterprises now has a set of artifacts that can be referenced to understand their current eBusiness process, desired future state, and considerations to get there.

As a result, FFF Enterprises has a roadmap to achieve their business goals:

- Increase revenue in their largest channel while decreasing cost of selling.
- Increase company revenue by capitalizing on new B2C revenue opportunities.
- · Reduce cost by rationalizing three separate eCommerce sites and technologies to minimize on-going development and support costs.