

TACTICAL SKILLS TRAINING WORKSHOP



Accessibility Strategies for Online Communications

UF/IFAS Communications ONLINE Bootcamp
April 2020

Outline

- 1. Purposes and general principles for Online Accessibility
- 2. Making Word Documents and PDFs accessible—Diana Hagan
- 3. Accessibility for TerminalFour and the Web Tennille Herron
- 4. Accessibility for Videos- Al Williamson
- 5. Q&A

Learning Outcomes

After this training, participants will

- Be able to assess whether online content is accessible or not.
- Be aware of strategies and techniques to make content accessible in documents, on the web and social media, and in video formats.

UF Guidance

All programming/content delivered through an electronic medium must be accessible for persons with disabilities.

When providing programming using video technology or any other type of electronic information technology, please limit your audience to registered participants, when possible. Let registered participants know how to request disability related accommodations, and a time frame for doing so.

If providing programming to a larger community is necessary and registration is not feasible, please be sure your programming is compliant with the UF Policy on EIT Accessibility linked here before posting: https://it.ufl.edu/policies/eita-accessibility/eita-policy/.

--Brande Smith, UF General Counsel's Office

For more information on EIT accessibility compliance, please visit https://accessibility.ufl.edu/.

Sample Accessibility Statement for Pre-Registration

"If any accommodations are needed, please contact (individual's name) at (telephone number and email). Requests should be made as soon as possible but

at least (time frame) prior to the scheduled meeting."

POUR Principles

Perceivable

- Operable
- Understandable
- Robust

Accessibility Strategies for Documents

Diana Hagan, MLS, IFAS Communications Information Management Specialist

Accessible Documents

- Structure and tags are the core of document accessibility.
- Tags
 - label content
 - help users navigate
 - help define structure and reading order
 - make it easier to exchange between formats

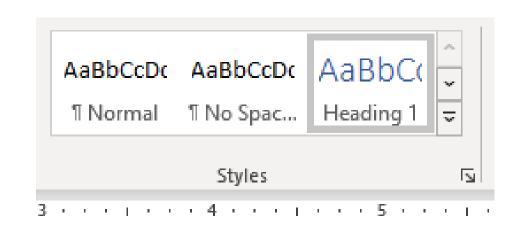
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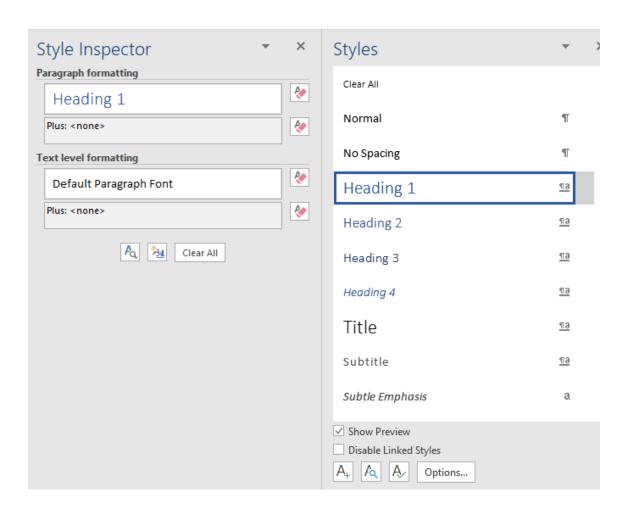
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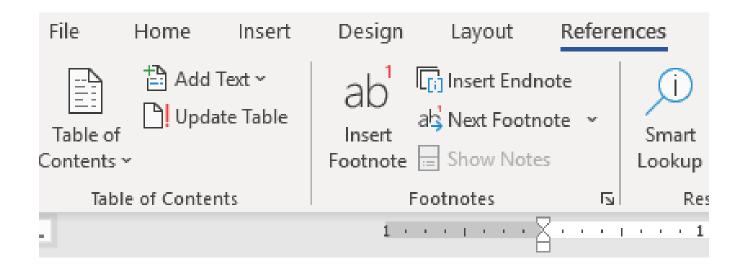
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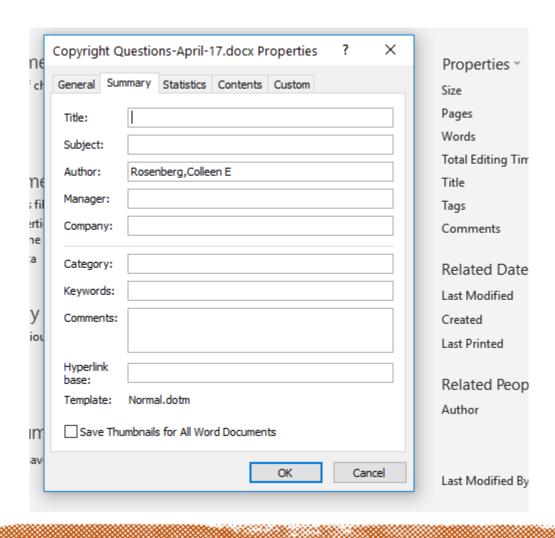




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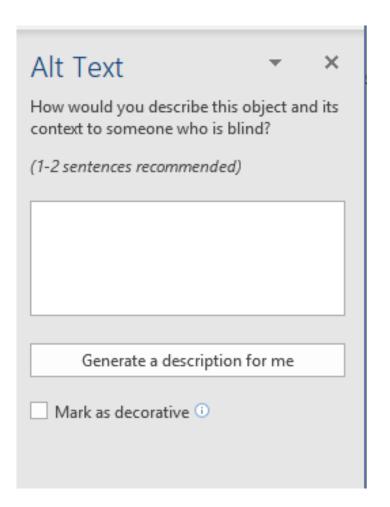
Add Metadata in Words File Properties



- Title exactly as it appears in document
- Subject up to 200 characters
- Author
- Keywords separated by semicolons

Add Alt Text to Images

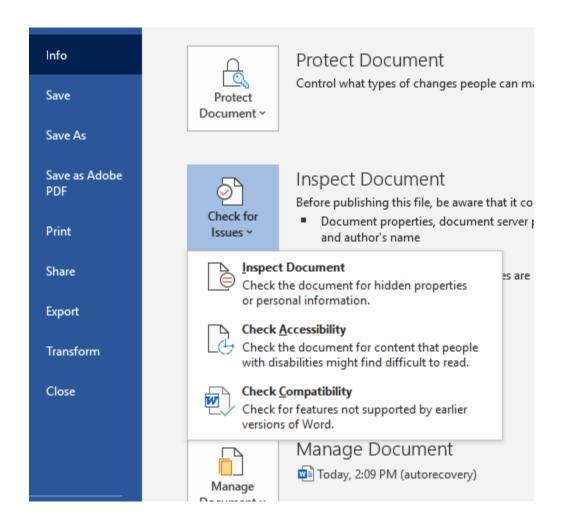
- Anchor all images
- To open alt text panel, select an image, right click, select "edit alt text..."
- If appropriate, mark as decorative

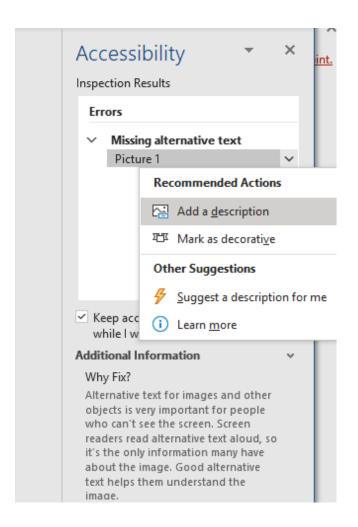


Accessible Tables

- Often contain critical detailed information
- Use only for tabular data
- Must have column headers
- Row headers are optional: consider using if complex
- Only use merged cells in headers

Word's Accessibility Checker



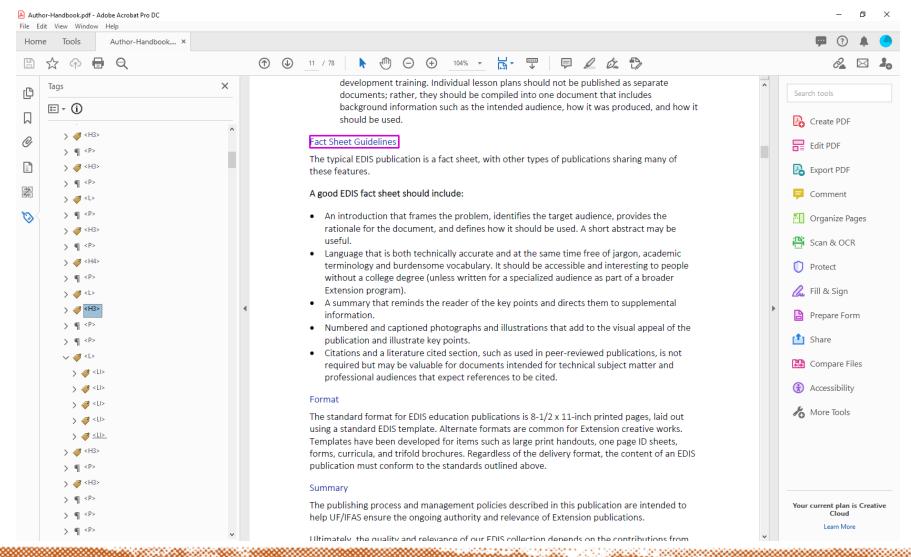


Export from Word file to PDF

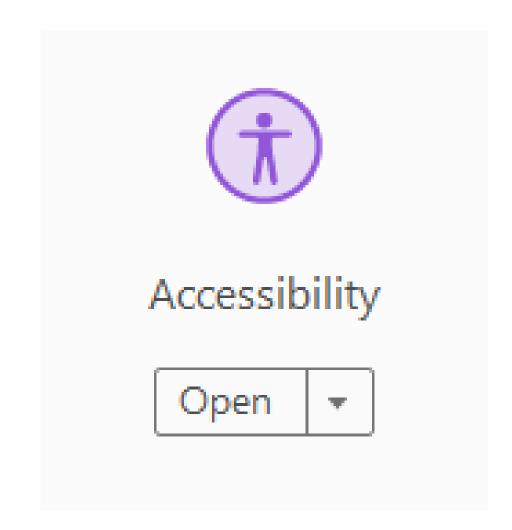
Adobe Acrobat Pro PDF Maker Plug in for Word



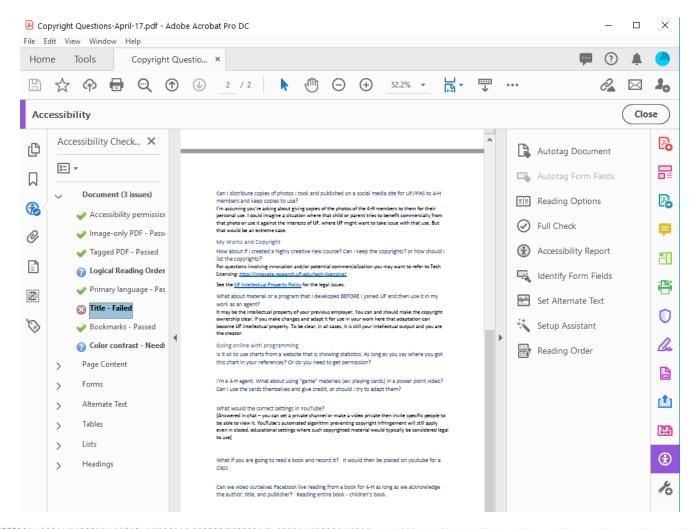
Acrobat Pro: Check Reading Order



Adobe Acrobat Accessibility Tools



Use Accessibility Checker in Adobe Acrobat Pro





WEB AND BLOG

Dr. Tennille Herron, Manager, UF/IFAS Web Services





Why Digital Accessibility

- More accessible to people (with disabilities)
- Crises Communication
- Lawsuit Examples





















AA accessibility standards

- •WCAG AA Accessibility standards define web content as...
 - What you see (text, images, and sounds)
 - What you <u>do not see</u>
 (code or markup that defines structure, presentation, etc.)



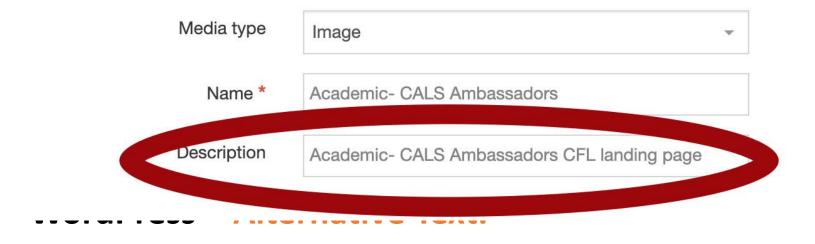
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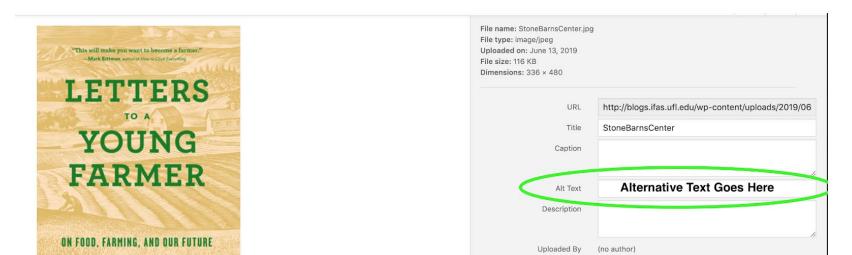
- **IMAGES** Avoid uploading too large images. An entire webpage should take less than 8 seconds to load.
 - •TinyPNG
- IMAGES— Use "Alt" tags on Images and buttons. Alternative text should explain what is seen in the photo.
 - Alternative Text Cheat Sheet



Accessible Images

• TERMINALFOUR(T4) - Alternative Text.

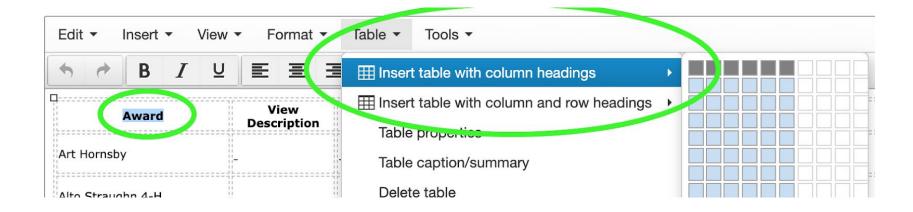






Accessible Tables

- TABLES Label data tables with headers above each column.
 Don't forget to check tables on your mobile device for readability.
 - Example: <u>Extension Admin Superior Accomplishment</u> <u>Awards Table</u>



Accessible Colors

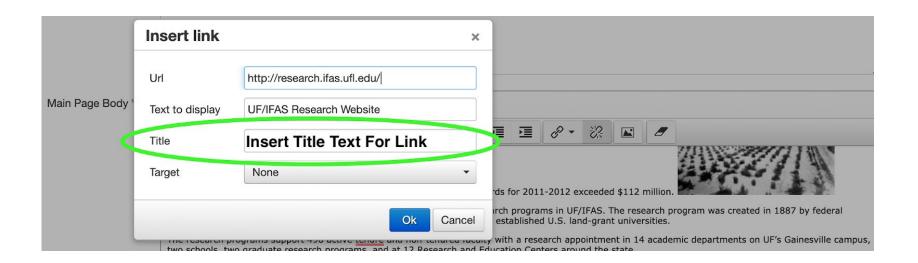
- COLOR Don't rely on colors to convey Information. UF/IFAS Web
 Branding Guidelines provides a list of 14 colors and appropriate use.
 - Web Graphic Identity Color Guide
 - Web Page Headings: T4 Tip #25

Accessible Text

- WEB TEXT Use simple language. Simplify web text so that someone on a sixth-grade level can understand the subject matter.
 - Organize text with headings and subheadings.
 - VOX Media Resource
 - Web Page Headings: T4 Tip #25

Accessible Links

- LINKED TEXT Be sure linked text makes sense out of context. Add titles to linked text. NEVER use "click here".
 - Adding A Call-To-Action To Your Website: T4 Tip #26





Moving Forward

- Make a good faith effort
- Keep cheat sheets nearby
- Follow an accessible routine



Accessibility Resources

- UF/IFAS Web Accessibility Cheat Sheet YES!
- UF/IFAS Web Visual Branding And Accessibility
- webteam@ifas.ufl.edu

Accessibility Strategies for Online Video

UF/IFAS Communications Video Al Williamson

Accessibility for Video

YouTube

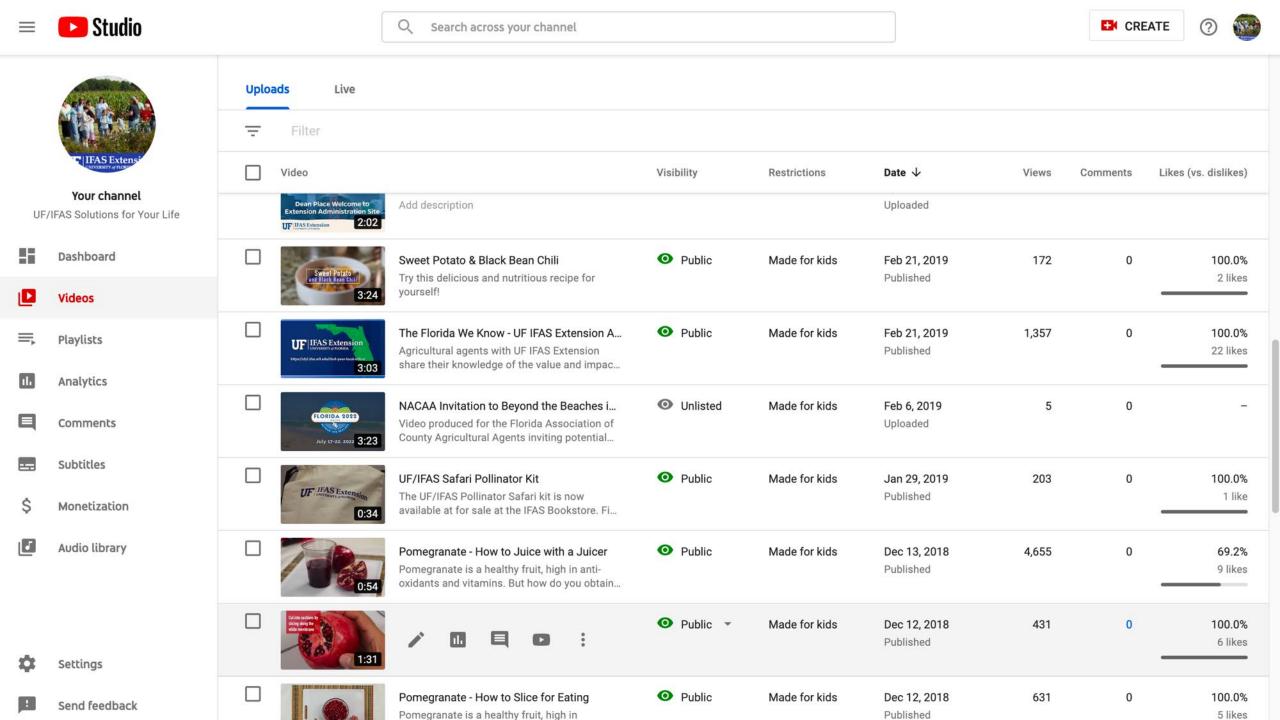
Auto-captions: User has option to turn captions on or off.

Editable: Encourage checking auto-captions for accuracy.

Third party services available

UF uses 3PlayMedia. Roughly \$3.50 per minute







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Agricultural agents with UF IFAS Extension share their knowledge of the value and impact of agriculture on Florida's economy and natural resources.

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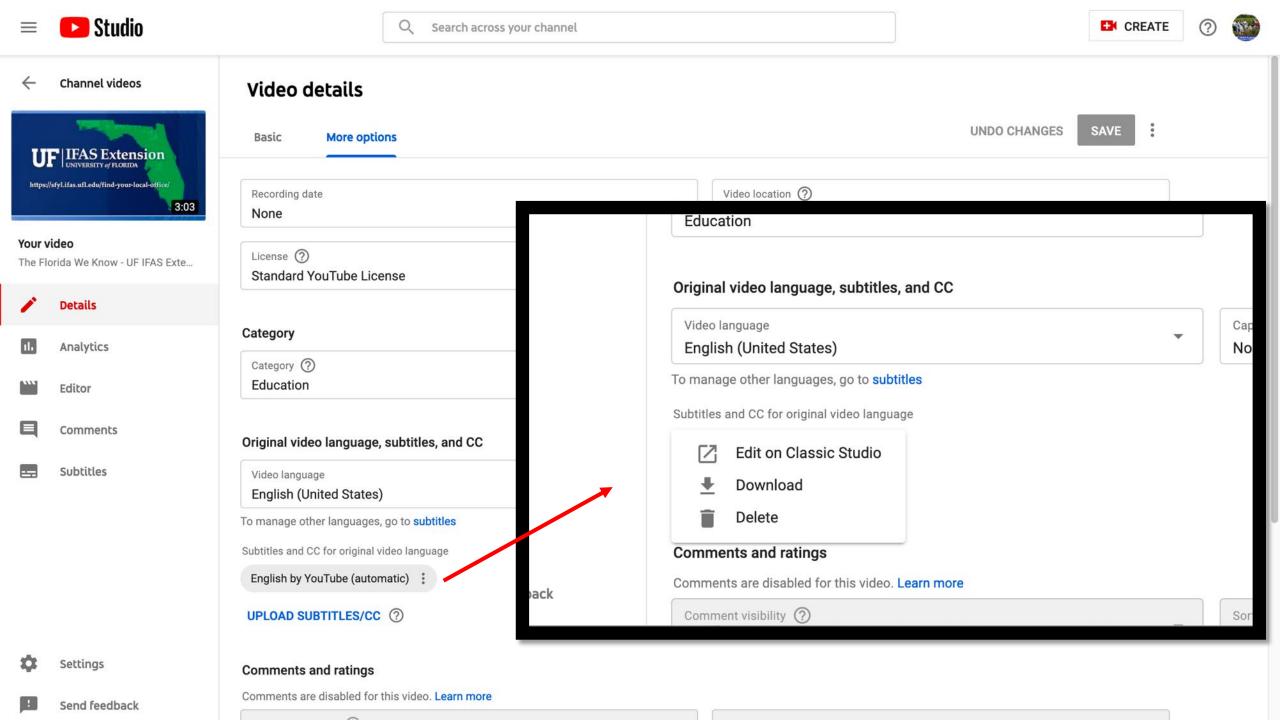
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Accessibility for Video

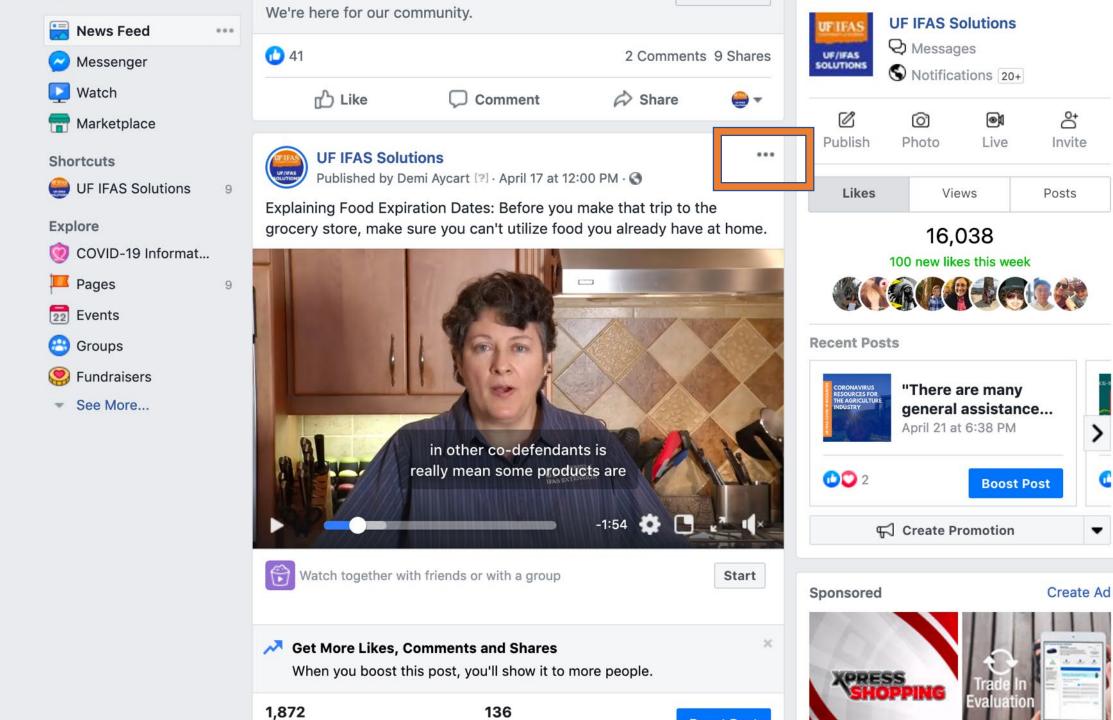
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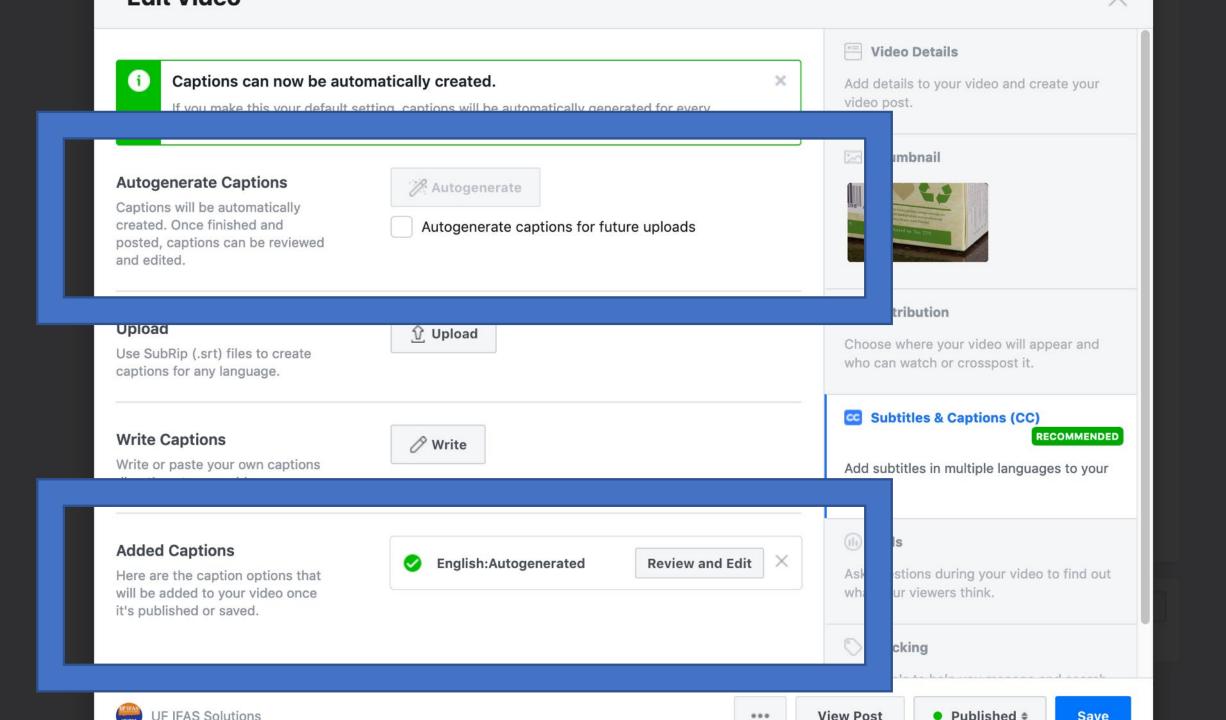
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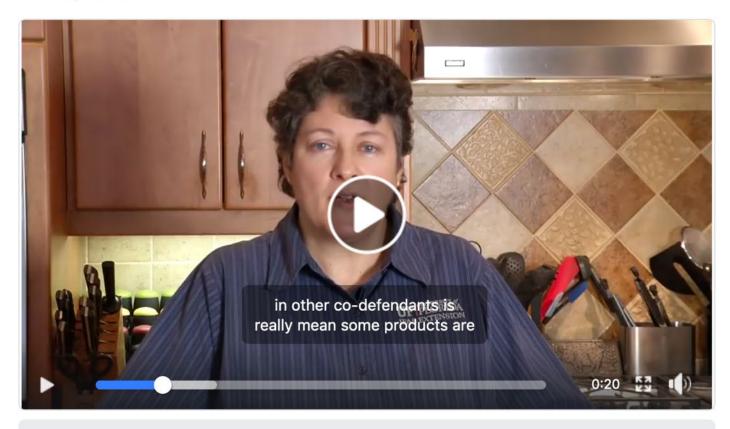
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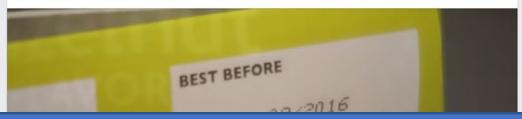


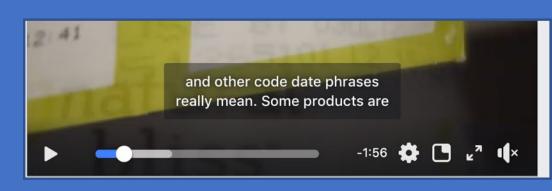
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Registration: Ask if there there any captioning needs?

If yes, are there funds available?

If no, still consider captioning the recording

Consider charging for event and use funds?

Third-party real-time captioning available

Alternative Captioning Services (\$95 hour)

Closing. Questions?

Thank You!

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