SendFox Conversion Review

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Goals

- Increase conversion from free to paid plans
- Identify "quality of life" UX improvements

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- Make it clear there are two plans and Empire Add-On is not a "plan" but an add on
- Provide more info on how features are different if you upgrade (example: "Normal" sending server vs. "Upgraded")
- Add features page to marketing site
- Make upgrade offer after signup more compelling
- Add more CTAs throughout experience to drive upsets
- Opportunities for a bunch of quality of life UX improvements

Let's get some email marketing...



Free email marketing for content creators.

Your email address

Let's do this!

10,284,148

55,002,877

Emails Delivered Email Subscribers

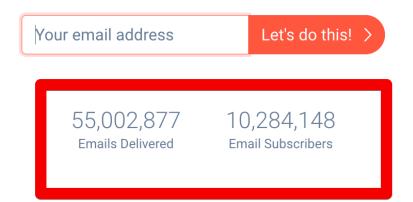
Am I a content creator?

Not sure I fit into this bucket.

Social Proof: V



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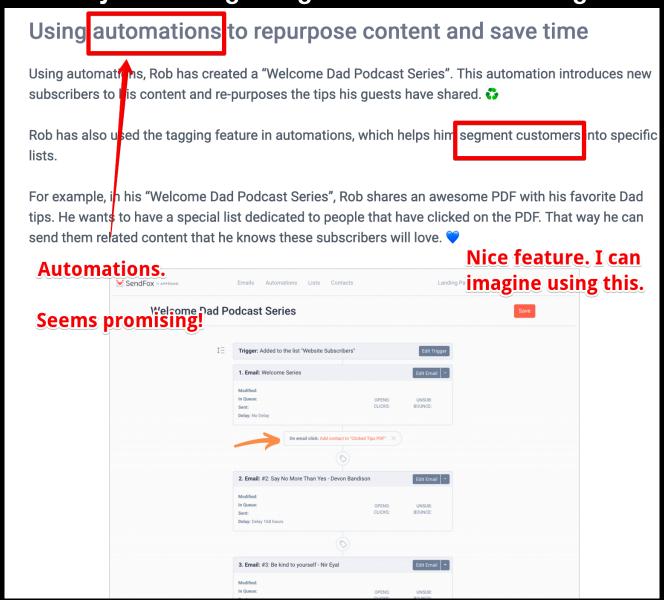


People be sendin' emails tho

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I want embedded signup forms and drip email sequences. But there's no features page

Maybe clicking "Blog" will tell me something?



Hm.. the blog just looks like case studies. Maybe call it that?

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Customer Stories: How the busy podcaster, Rob Roseman, makes the most out of email marketing 🕸

"Price, simplicity, and the big one...my trust in Noah Kagan, were my main reasons for giving it (SendFox) a whirl. I've been happy with how easy it is to use, especially for people like me, who don't have much time to dedicate to marketing."



- Rob Roseman, The Dad The Best I Can Show

Rob Roseman is the busy father of three behind the actionable and funny podcast The Dad the Best I
Can Show.

The podcast started when the former Chicago futures trader and Las Vegas professional poker player decided he wanted to reinvent himself.

Since starting the podcast he has booked 80+ high-performing entrepreneurs like Jesse Itzler and David Cancel (CEO of Drift.com) to come on the show and talk about Dad life.

He told us that through his podcast, he wants to let Dads know "that any Dad (new or old), can take some peace knowing that we're all winging it, going through the same ups and WTF downs of fatherhood and that we're all just trying to Dad the Best I Can".

I'm a consultant. I guess consultants create content?

Looks like some good benefits to SendFox vs. Mailchimp, but they're buried in a wall of text.

Wise Owl Media provides actionable advice — with articles and newsletters — based on the founder, Garrett Petticrew's quest to be wise, healthy and wealthy.

Garrett is passionate about self-improvement. For the season, he decided to start Wise Owl Media to bring others along for the ride.

Through his articles about improving people's mind, body, and bank accounts, Garrett was able to grow his audience of action-takers.

Seems close to my scenario as a consultant

Soon, he realized that to continue this growth, he would need to **build a mailing list to communicate** directly with his most devoted readers.

So, his weekly newsletter Wise Owl Wednesday was born. Garrett started his newsletter on Mailchimp, but after decided to switch.

Less testing emails? Awesome!

We asked Garrett why he decided to move to SendFox:

"SendFox formats my emails beautifully for mobile and web, and I don't have to do anything special as I did with Mailchimp. Honestly, that aspect alone save me probably 10-15 minutes per email because I don't have to test it multiple times to get images to look the right way across devices.

What I need is a platform that I can send simple, beautifully formatted content to my readers."

"SendFox's desire to stay away from affiliate marketers and other spammy marketing efforts was a big plus for me. 99% of what I create is long-form written content, so deliverability is so critical. If my readers don't get my emails, what is the point?"

Want to have a look at Garrett's emails? Check them out here.

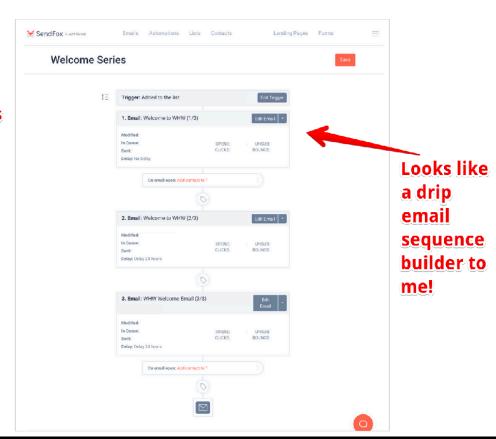
Landing pages: yep. Drip emails: definitely.

Maybe embeddable signup forms too?

Garrett also shared with us what he loves about our tool:

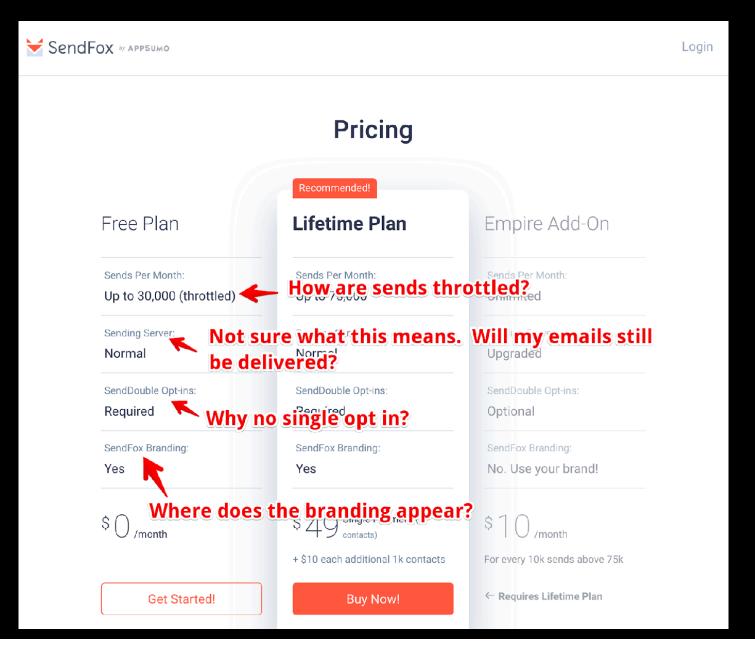
"Landing pages, basic automations, and list building feel much simpler on SendFox than on other platform." I have used. The new blog feed URL is amazing and allows me to easily share older newsletter content with new subscribers. I'm impressed with SendFox for reaching out and caring about its users. Your team is doing great work, thank you."

Maybe SendFox has forms too?



Let's hit up Pricing

Hm... I've definitely got some questions about what I get!



You could remove this friction with simple hoverable tooltips (hit play)

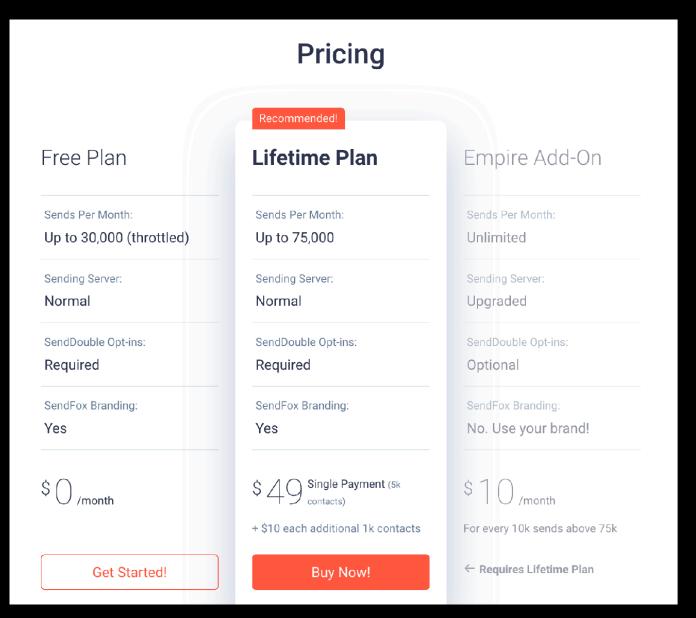
Feature

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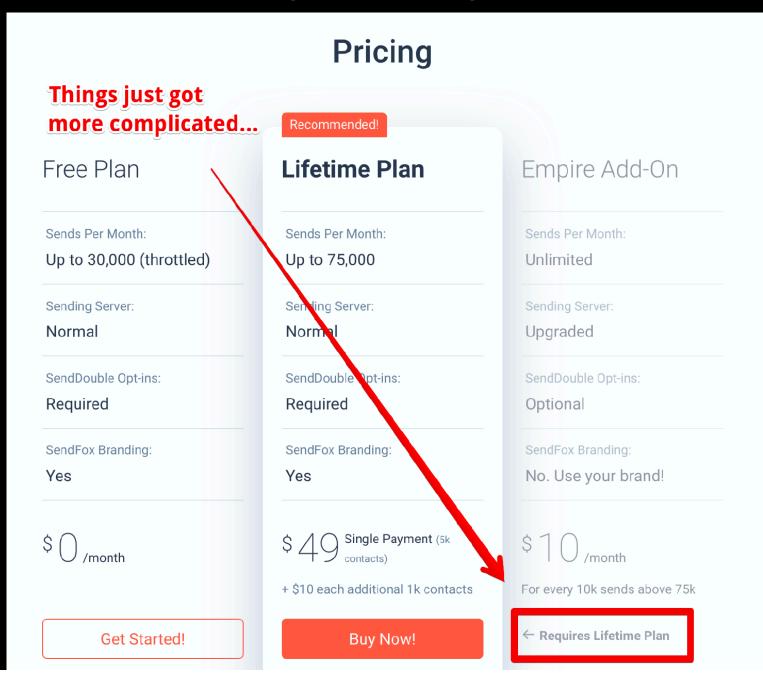
Track feature requests fron Intercom or Help Scout

Which plan should I choose?

At first I thought I could choose between three plans...

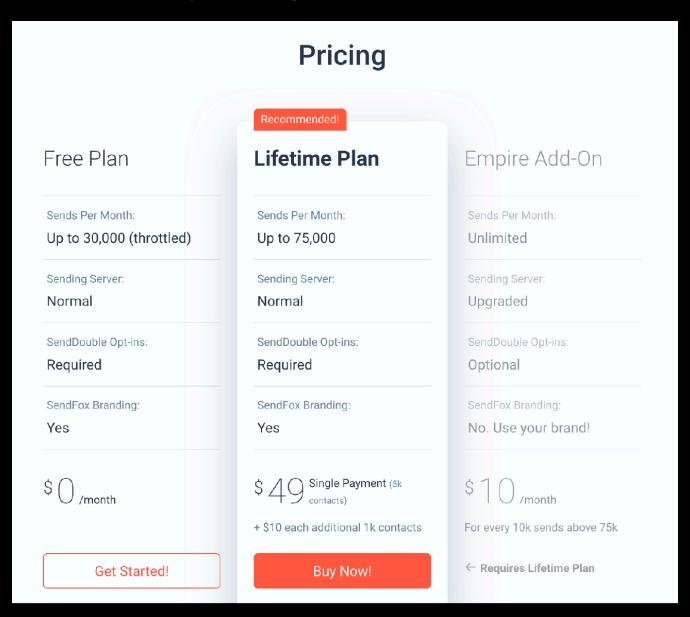


But then I saw the Empire Add On requires the Lifetime Plan



The visual framing doesn't seem quite right. I'm choosing between two plans, not three.

Because I can't buy the Empire Add On without the Lifetime Plan.



Maybe simplify to two choices?

Pricing

Free Plan

Sends Per Month:

Up to 30,000 (throttled)

Sending Server:

Normal

SendDouble Opt-ins:

Required

SendFox Branding:

Yes

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Get Started!

Recommended

Lifetime Plan

Sends Per Month:

Up to 75,000

Sending Server:

Normal

SendDouble Opt-ins:

Required

SendFox Branding:

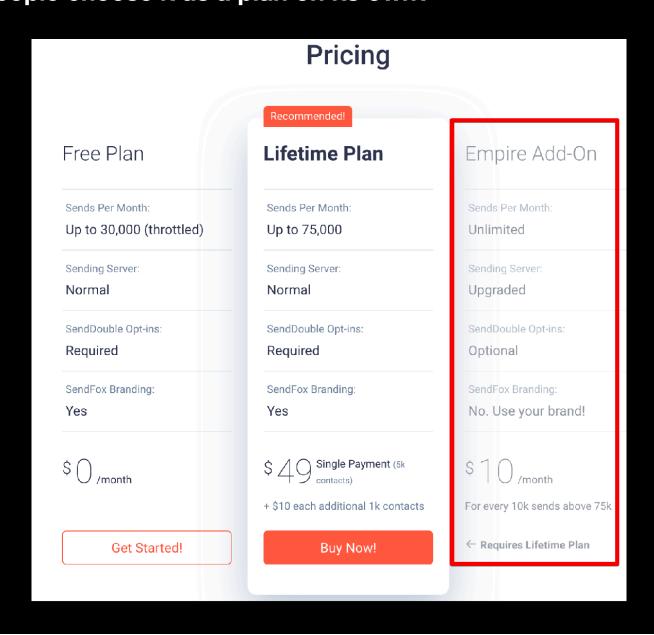
Yes

\$ 4 Single Payment (5k contacts)

+ \$10 each additional 1k contacts

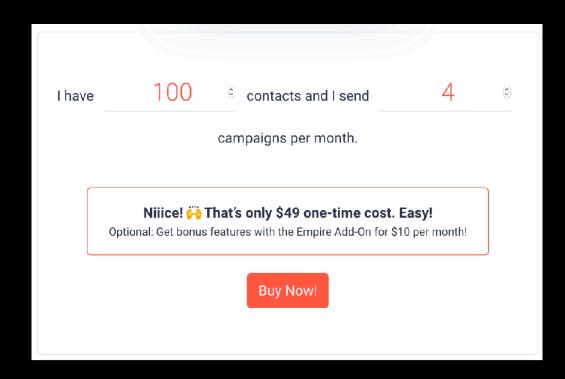
Buy Now!

And maybe pull the add-on into an upgrade box below the pricing grid? Or let people choose it as a plan on its own?



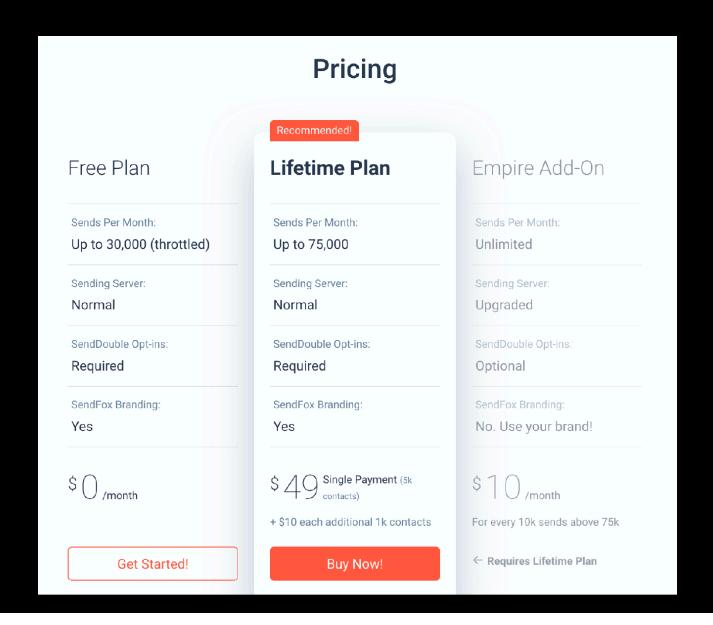
The pricing calculator doesn't work as I expected it to. It never tells me to sign up for the free plan.

Which makes me question whether it's trying to help me decide between plans or whether it's masquerading as a helpful tool but is really pushing me to upgrade.



Also I'm a little surprised there's no tiering based on list size.

That seems like a straightforward value metric that I'm used to seeing that could easily push me from free to paid.



OK, let's Sign Up. I think this is how I do that.

I'm gonna pay \$0 for now anyways!



It does indeed only take a second de





It only takes a second!

Create your account below to start using SendFox for free:

What's your name?

Kareem

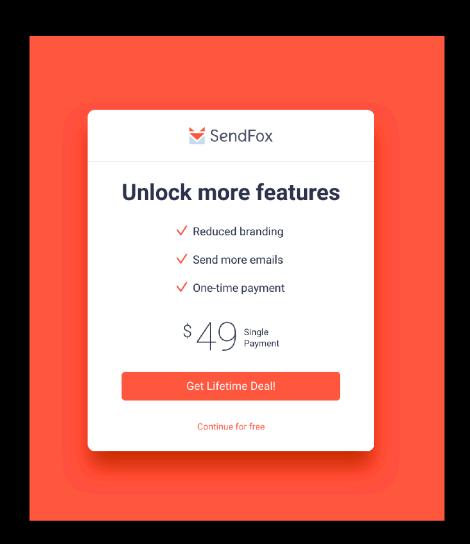
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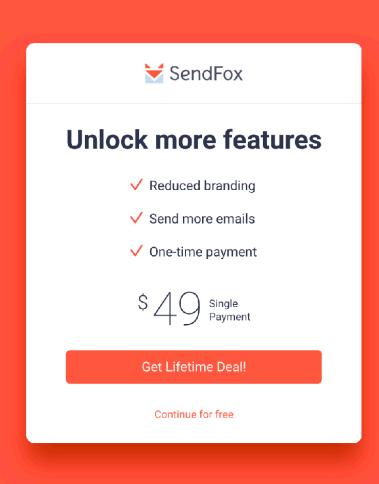
Create My Account!

⚠ By clicking the button above you agree to the terms of service, including no spammy affiliates or other spammy emails.

This is a bit like asking me to jump into bed without dating first. Some people do it #nojudgement

And I did just commit to trying SendFox out (so I commend you for asking)... but it seems like this sales page could work harder in a few ways to get me to convert...





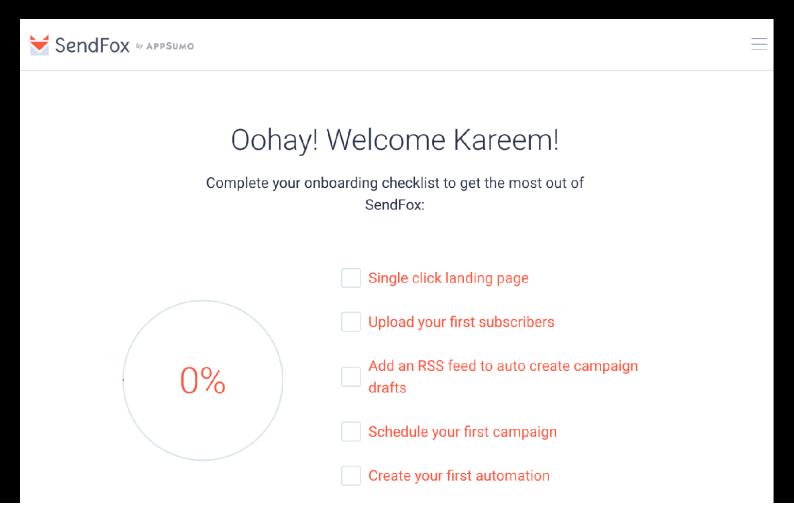
- 1. Describe the benefits more thoroughly (Reduced branding or NO branding? Where? Send how many more emails?)
- 2. Describe other features that I get. I recall from the pricing page there was something around deliverability?
- 3. One time payment isn't that compelling since I signed up for \$0/m. Maybe time-limit this to e.g. \$39 now only?
- 4. Basically, help me understand how my world will be better if I take this offer now vs if I don't

I'm gonna pass on this offer for now since I can get the same offer later...

FANTASTIC screen.

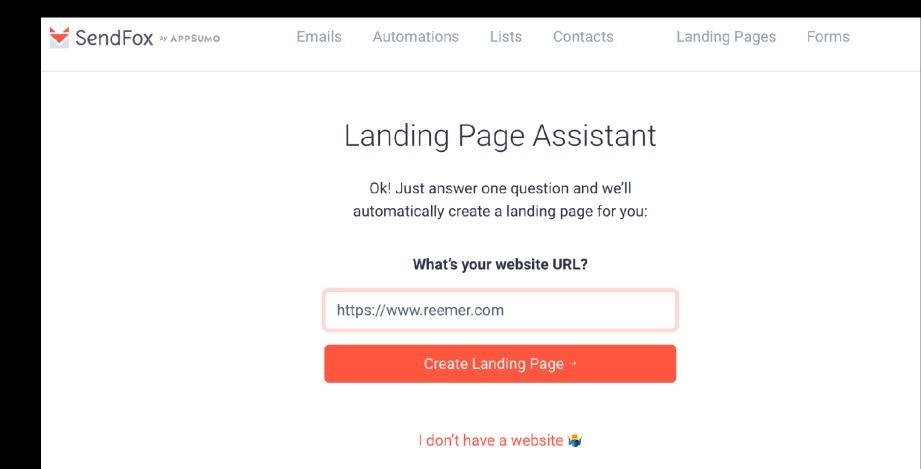
Straightforward, clear, and gives me presumably easy actions to take. I love checklists for onboarding.

Let's create a landing page...

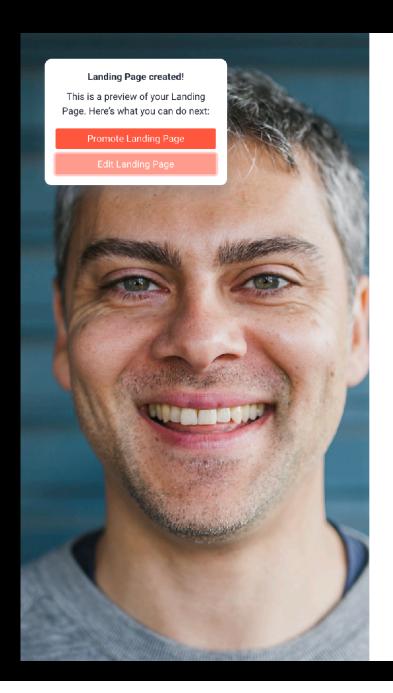


This is promising a lot of value with a little bit of work. A whole landing page just from my URL?

Let's see how this goes...



Daaamn. That's awesome!



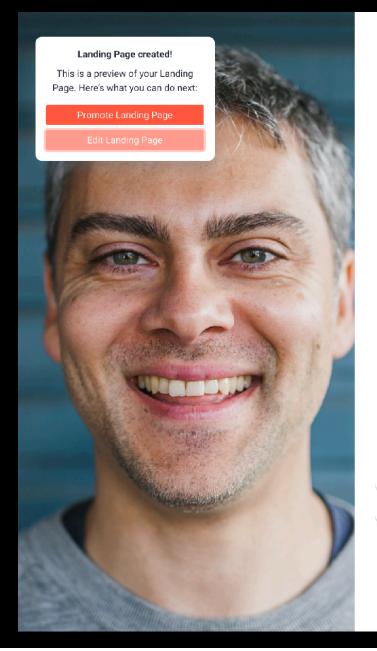
Get my BEST updates delivered to your inbox.

Get my BEST updates delivered to your inbox. Join my email list and get my favorite content regularly. Unsubscribe anytime

	Join!
Email	
First Name	



There are a couple of opportunities to upsell here.



Maybe include a CTA about removing double opt-in here.

Get my BEST updates delivered to your inbox.

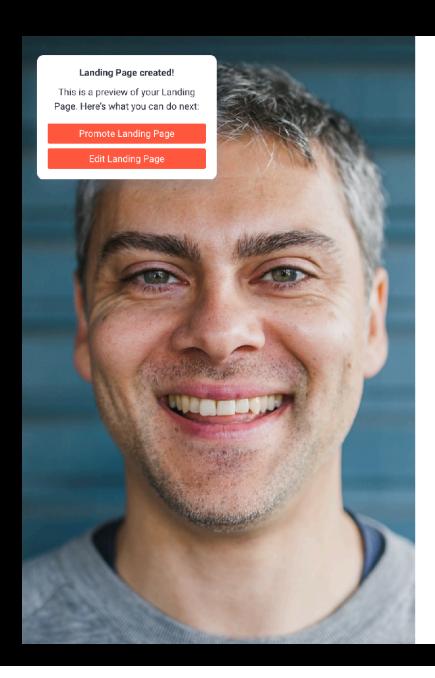
Get my BEST updates delivered to your inbox. Join my email list and get my favorite content regularly. Unsubscribe anytime

rst Name
Email
Join!

You could add a CTA to upgrade to remove branding!



Is this thing on? Let's see what the signup experience is like.



Get my BEST updates delivered to your inbox.

Get my BEST updates delivered to your inbox. Join my email list and get my favorite content regularly. Unsubscribe anytime

Kareem	
k+sf@reemer.com	
Join!	

Could use a Magic link: https://bit.ly/magic-link-example and sniper link: https://bit.ly/sniper-link-technique to drive opt-ins.

(both tips from the guys at growth.design)

Thank you for subscribing!

Help to spread the word:













Most important thing is for users to opt in.

Could use CTA with Magic Link and Sniper Link techniques to make opting in a lot easier.

Very clean. Love the sharing built in.

Thank you for subscribing!

Help to spread the word:



These share my landing page. Nice!

Another upsell opportunity.

Thank you for subscribing!

Help to spread the word:











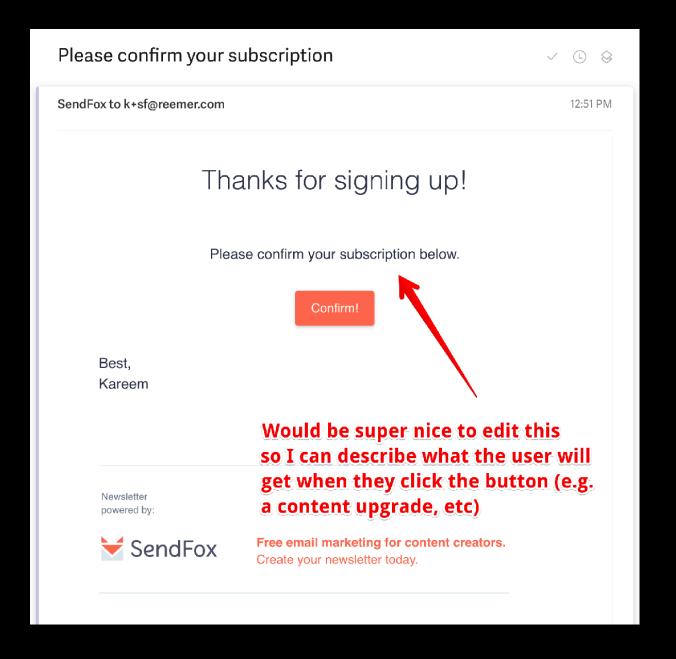




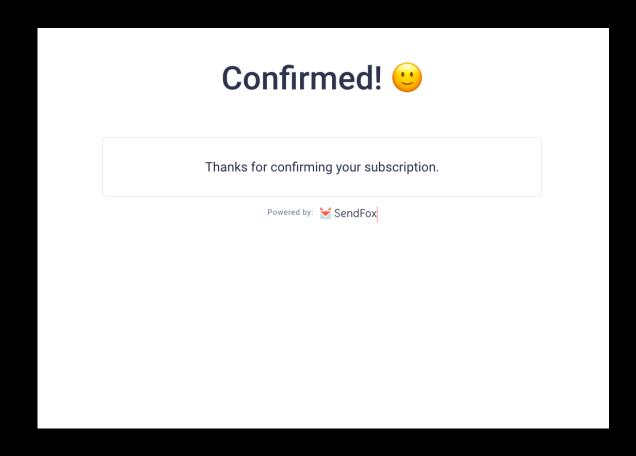
If this is success page is from my SendFox account, you could add CTA to upgrade to remove this.



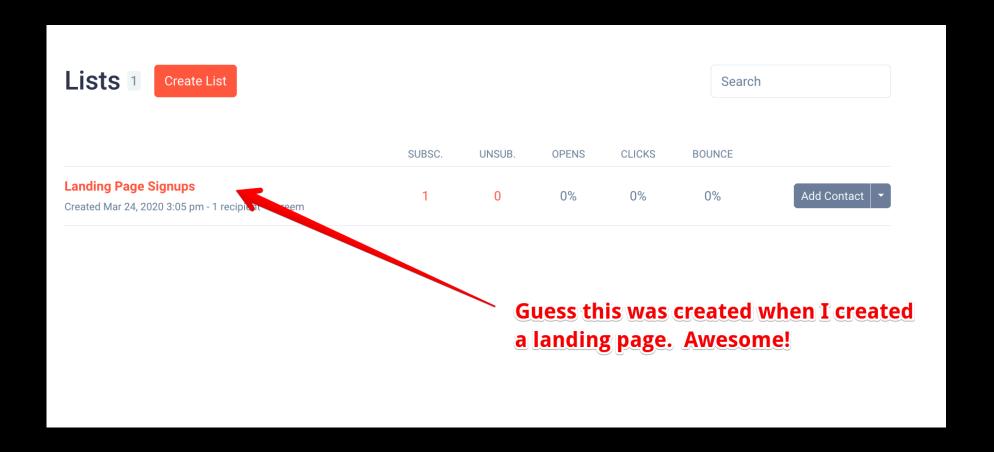
Let's go check out the email I received



Pretty sparse. Again would be nice to edit this so I can provide value (e.g. a link to a content upgrade or whatever else I promised users for signing up).



Now that we're done testing this new subscriber signup flow, let's take a look at our lists.

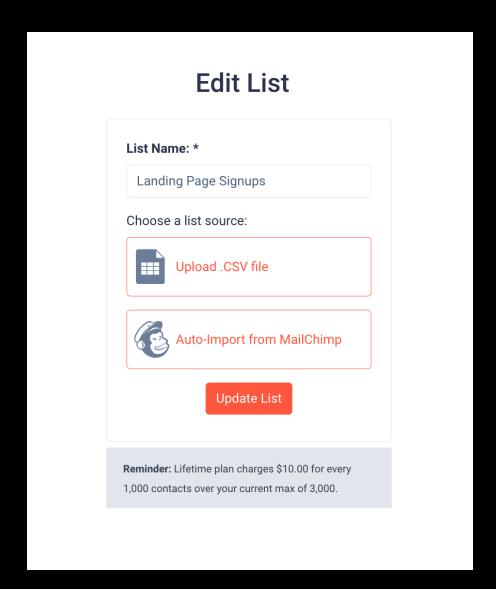


I want to see my list of subscribers



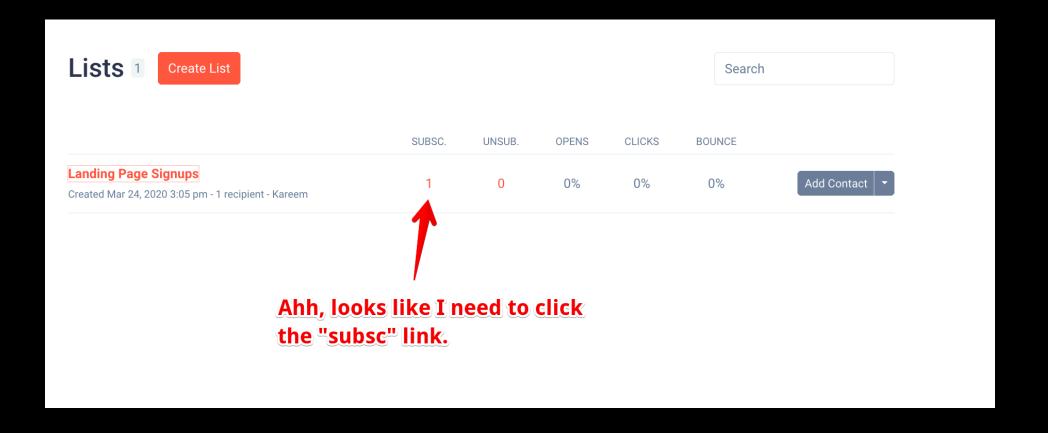
Huh. That's not what I expected....

Let's go back and try again.

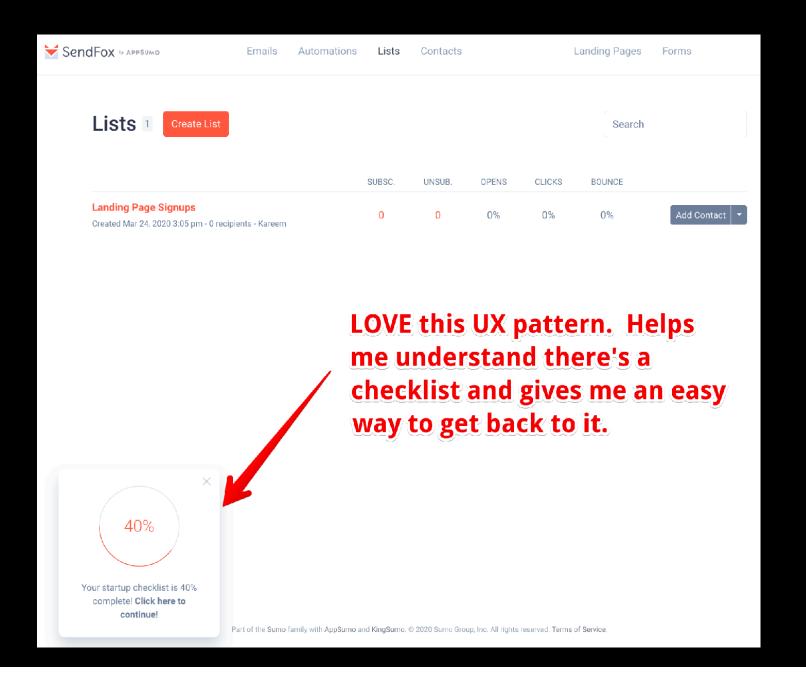


Clicking the name of the list promises to show me the list. But instead it takes me to upload a list of contacts.

Given uploading is less commonly done than viewing a list, you may want to point the list name link to the list of subscribers.



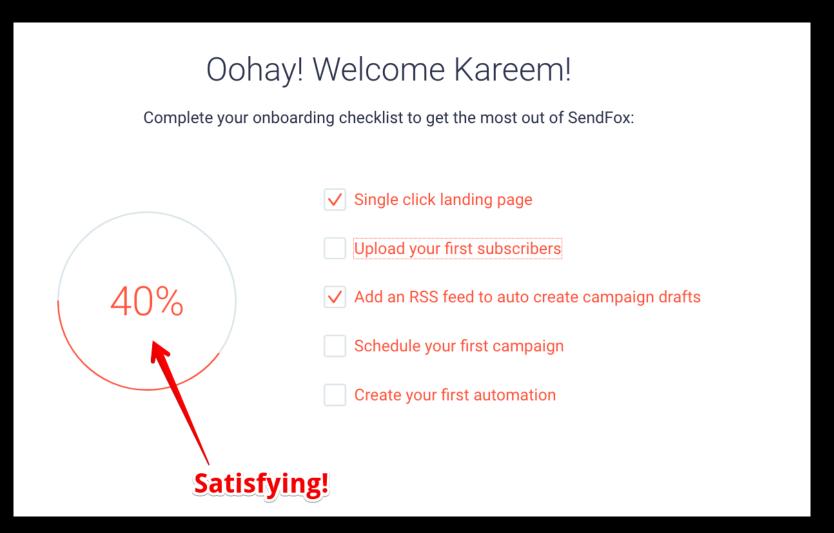
Let's go back to our onboarding checklist.



Back to the onboarding checklist...

Super satisfying to see some progress just by entering my site's URL!

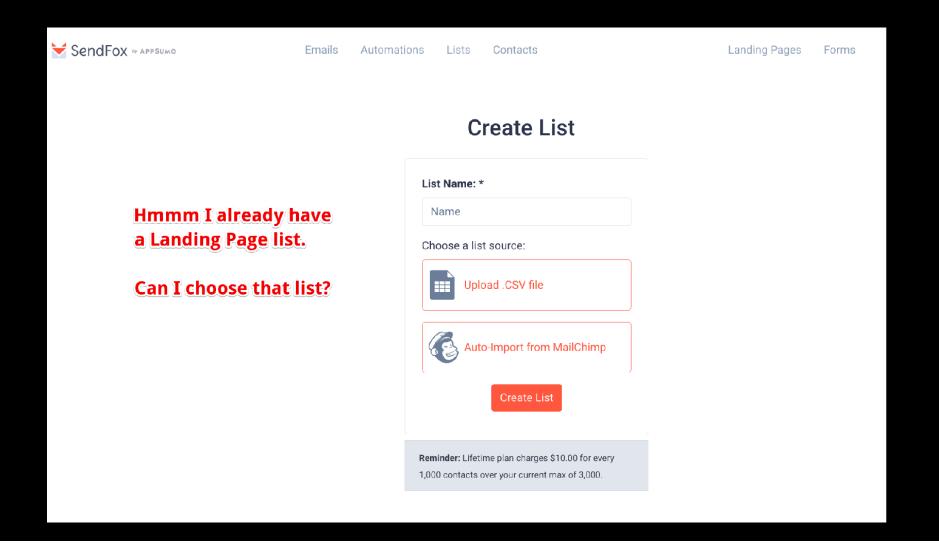
Let's go upload some subscribers.



I'm surprised that I'm taken to a Create List page.

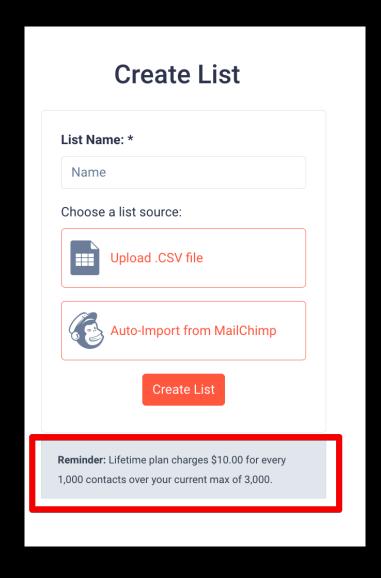
Especially since SF already created a list for me.

I'd expect that I could pick from my existing lists OR create a new one.

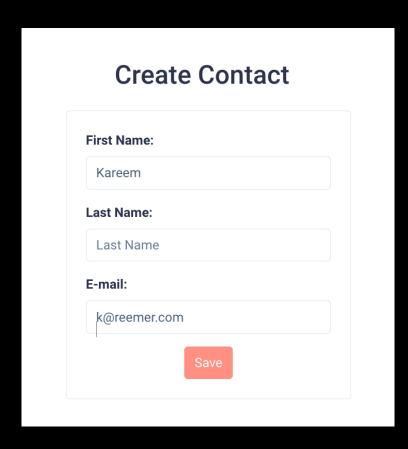


Just noticed this - is there a limit to the number of contacts I can have on the free plan?

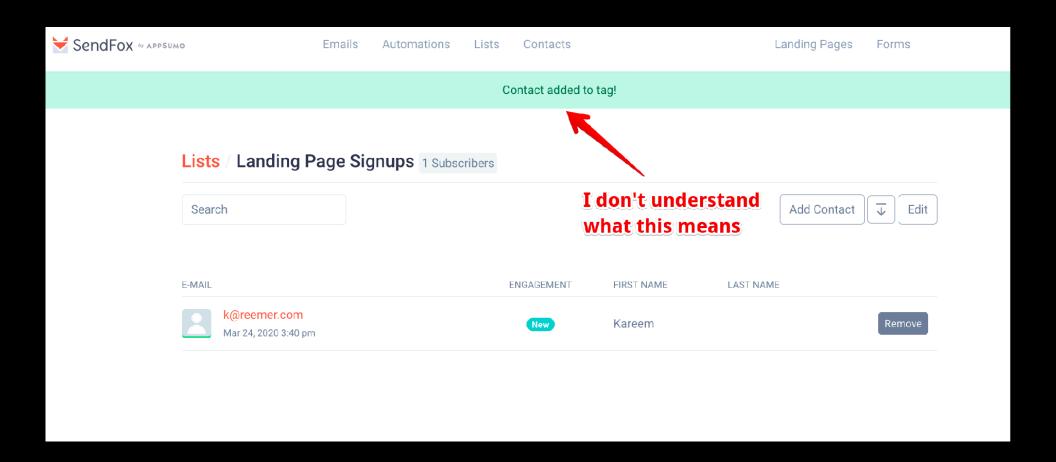
Seems like this is important enough to call out on the pricing page!



I'm going to go to Lists => Add Contact to add a contact to my Landing Page list.



Looks like it worked but this message is confusing. I'd expect it to say something like "Contact added to list!"



Back to onboarding. Let's create an automation - that's one of the things I signed up to do.

Oohay! Welcome Kareem!

Complete your onboarding checklist to get the most out of SendFox:



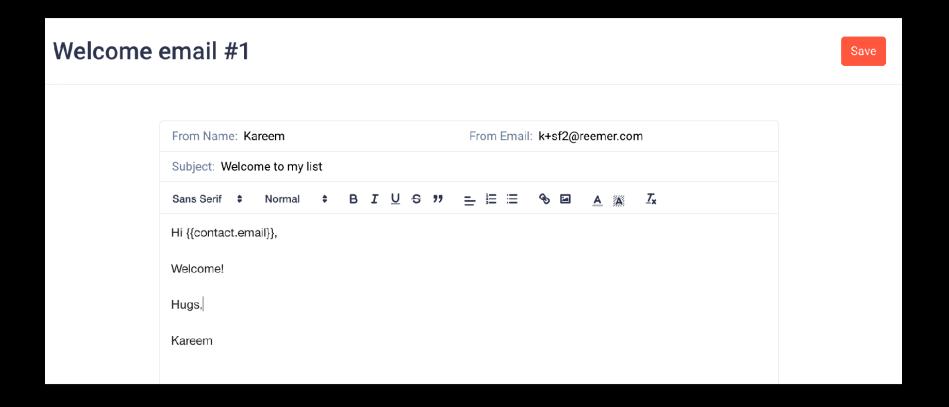
- ✓ Single click landing page
- ✓ Upload your first subscribers
- ✓ Add an RSS feed to auto create campaign drafts
- Schedule your first campaign
- Create your first automation

I want to send this to people who join my landing page list.

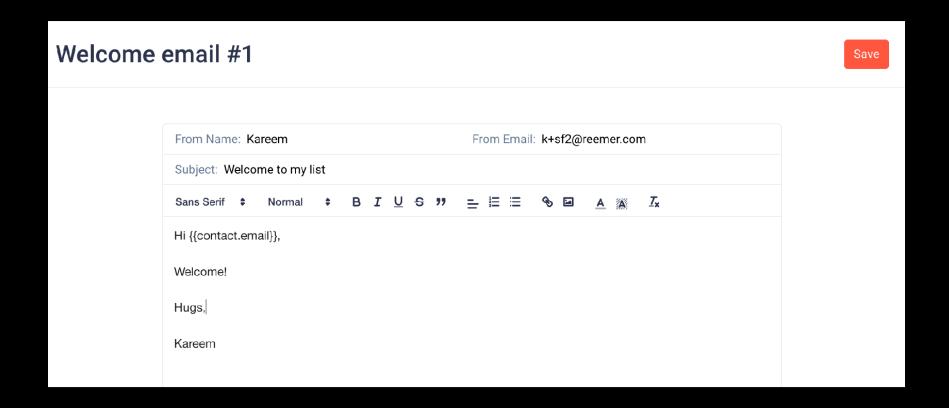
It would be nice to have an affordance or copy to let me know this is the thing I want to do e.g. "Send Email".



Oh god I love the German minimalist interface. Everything I need and nothing I don't. Faaaantastic!

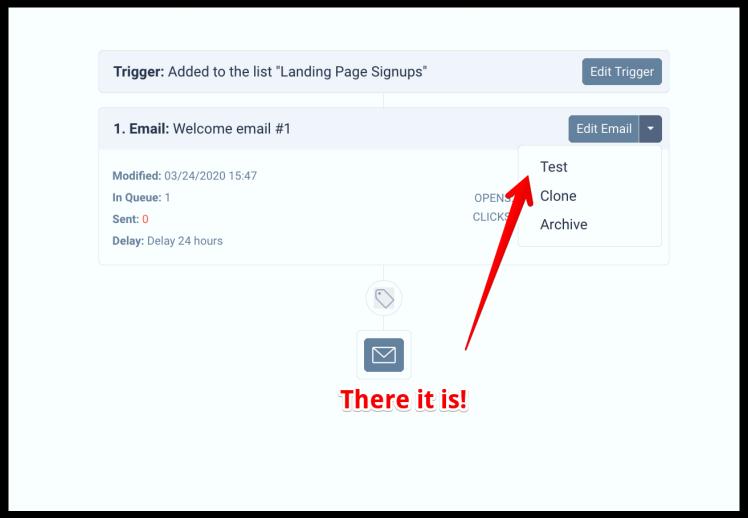


Let me send this email as a test. I'd expect to do that from the interface. But it doesn't appear to be here... Maybe it's on the automation page?

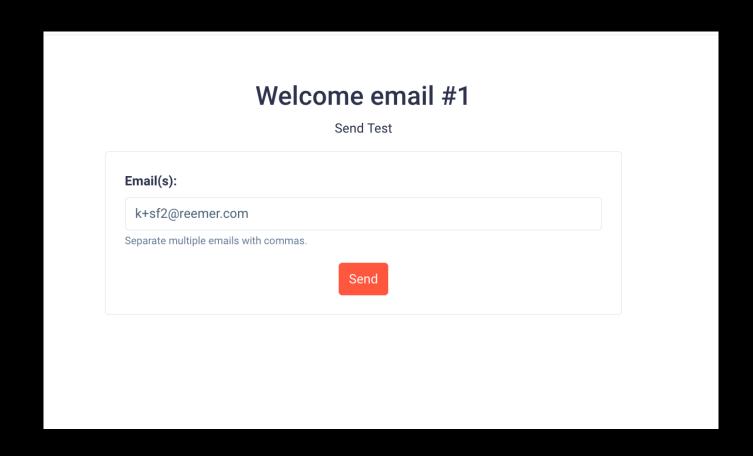


If I have to send test emails a lot it'll be a pain in the it's not doable from the interface (because the workflow is usually send test => modify email => send test => modify email => etc)

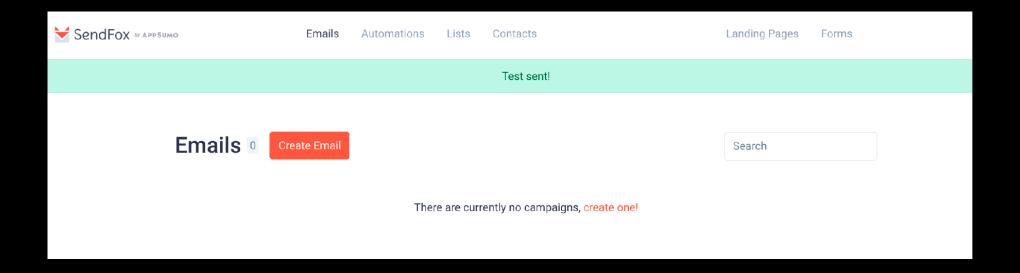
Moving Send Test Email to the page where you write emails would be a cheap and good quality of life improvement.



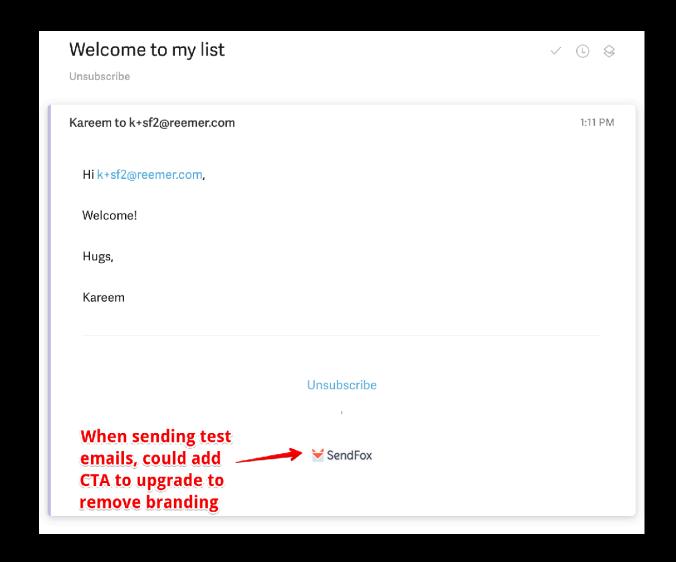
Clicking Test Email opened this up in a new tab. That was unexpected.



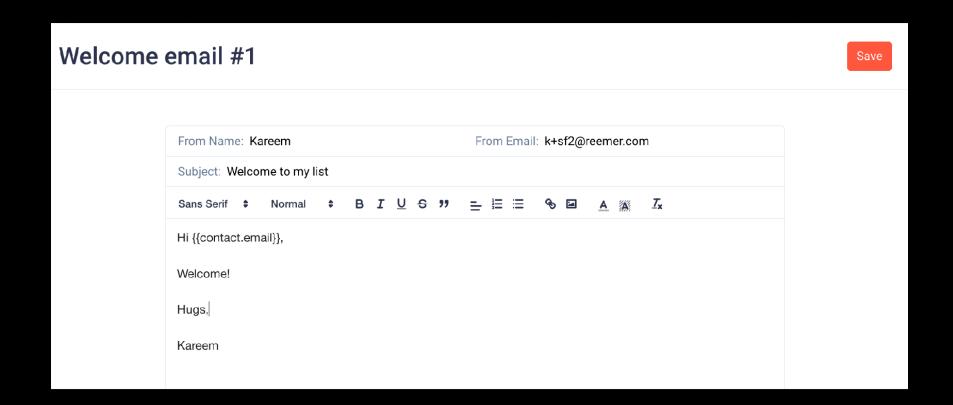
Hitting Send sent me to this page. Super confusing that I'm not back at the automations page. I guess I can just close the tab?



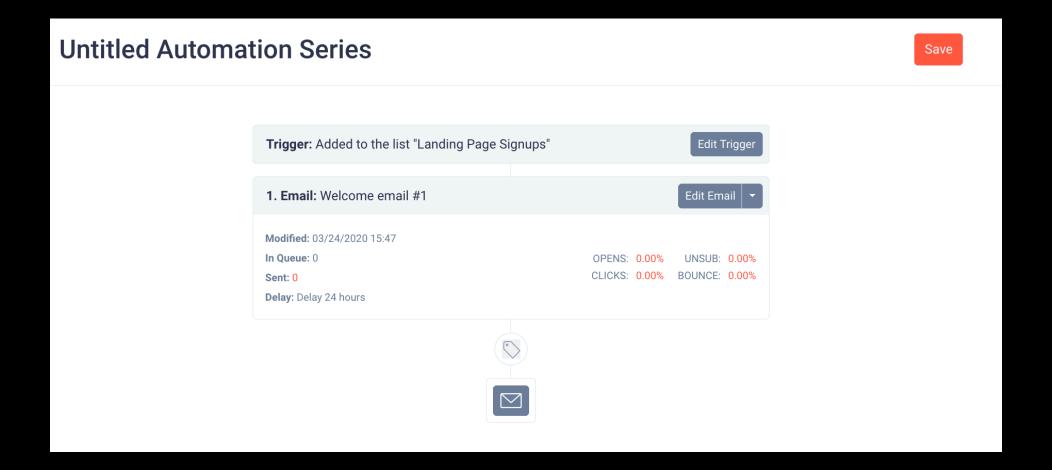
The test email's in my inbox. Along with a potential upsell opportunity.



Back to the UI. I recall something about upgraded sending. Maybe this page is a place to call out what that means and how I can pay you to get it.

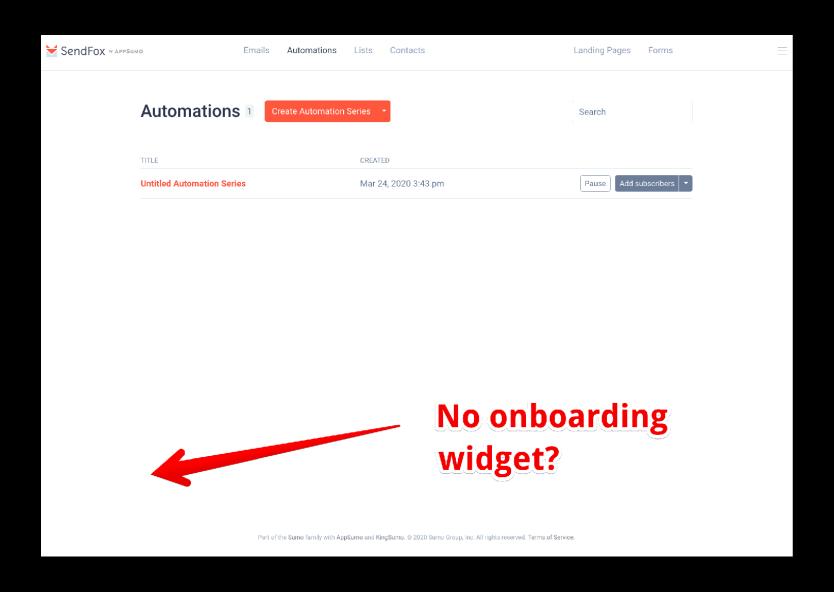


My Welcome Email looks good. Let's Save this automation.



Where's the onboarding widget? I guess I completed onboarding?

Would be an easy win to make me feel good about my progress!



Questions?

Email me: k@reemer.com