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Information Systems Resources adds 9 jobs, moves to bigger HQ

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Information Systems Resources has traditionally been a tech hardware firm for most of its 21 years. These days the Dearborn-based company is moving into a more sustainability-oriented direction, taking a lead in disassembling more computer hardware and turning it into a profitable enterprise.

Today Information Systems Resources employs 32 people, including an intern it hired in June. It has hired nine people since March thanks to the demand from its new disassembly program and expects to add another half a dozen within the next six months. It recently consolidated into a newer, bigger building (110,000 square feet) in Dearborn.

The firm received a contract from Detroit Public Schools to process and dispose of old IT equipment from closed schools. That contract work was turned into a disassembly line, which has now turned into a profitable and growing side business.

"Everything is sorted into commodities, copper, aluminum, etc. It's all sold," says Jim Grutza, COO of Information Systems Resources. "Nothing hits the landfill."

Information Systems Resources is now working with other local school districts and municipalities to expand this program. It hopes to widen its reach within the next year, mainly thanks to the new work from disassembling old computer equipment like printers and monitors.