

Kramer Enterprises, Inc. completes transition into new corporate headquarters.



Kramer Enterprises, Inc. and the Kramer family brands d.b.a. City Dry Cleaning (retail dry cleaning store), City Uniforms and Linen (industrial laundry and textile rental company), City Apparel (provider of advertising specialties and corporate image programs) and Schafer Dry Cleaning (retail dry cleaning store located in Jackson, MI.) has been based out of Findlay, OH. since 1944.

After a devastating fire in 1994 destroyed the downtown facility, the Kramer family purchased a 5 acre lot in the Westfield Business Park located west of I-75 to erect a new state-of-the art 27,000 sq./ft. production facility for City Uniforms & Linen and City Apparel. The dry cleaning store was rebuilt in its original location downtown while the administrative offices were located in a separate downtown facility.

In August 2008, construction was completed on the 25,500 sq. /ft. expansion to the existing production facility utilizing the additional land on Westfield Drive. The expansion is the new corporate headquarters for Kramer which includes modern office space, warehouse/distribution area for City Apparel, state-of-the art media center and additional floor space for production. Paul Kramer (President/CEO) stated, "The expansion was a necessary part of our growth and succession plan by bringing the entire team back together again after 15 years."

The new facility boasts many green friendly attributes including energy saving heating/cooling systems, an on-site water recycle treatment plant, ECOLOGIC lighting throughout, electric power conservation through a demand response program and a cultural commitment to recycling aluminum, plastic, and paper refuse. The additional space also allowed for reengineering of the production flow and washroom updates. "The expansion allowed us the opportunity to reconfigure the existing layout streamlining our operations. Our production has become more efficient and organized while using less natural resources." Paul explains.

Kramer has found many benefits to operating his business out of Findlay. Geographically, Findlay is centrally located with immediate entrance onto I-75, U.S. Rt. 224 and 23. This provides easy access for City to make their route deliveries to southeast Michigan, throughout the western half of Ohio, and northeast Indiana to major cities like Columbus, Dayton, Toledo, Ft. Wayne, etc. The centralized location also makes it easier for major shipping lines such as UPS and Fed Ex to deliver purchased merchandise from City Apparel. Paul states that Findlay is "a safe and vibrant economic community with an excellent educational and healthcare system along with a dedicated quality workforce." Paul adds "Findlay is a great area for a small business to prosper" and believes that the expansion in the area will guarantee his business success for generations to come.