

CASE STUDY

Automotive Keys Group
57,300 Sq/Ft
180 employees

LOCATION

Vernon Hills, IL

SPACE TYPE

Manufacturer

PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Dan Sherman, Sales

Marc Kingery, Project
Management & Design

Alex Arias, Installation

MANUFACTURERS

Rework, Compel, Custom Crafters,
Special T, ECA by Dekko, Hickory
Contract, Gibraltar Inc., Metal Arc
Mod Silver and ESI

HIGHLIGHTS

- Space planning
- Design
- Installation
- Decommissioning



THE SCOPE

Rework had the opportunity to work with Automotive Keys Group (AKG), a leading remanufacturer and distributor of replacement automotive keyless entry remotes, to furnish three floors of a new corporate office in Vernon Hills, IL. By proposing a blend of new, pre-owned and expertly refurbished furniture we created a truly custom (and budget-friendly) aesthetic and were awarded the project.

THE PROCESS

When AKG, a large-scale manufacturing company, was in need of a cost-effective solution for an entirely new workspace, they turned to Rework. We began by surveying some recent decommissioning jobs as this is a great budget-saving solution that also diverts substantial landfill waste. Our project kicked off with a meeting at a decommissioning job site in Minnesota where we cataloged pieces that would work for AKG's unique workspace, including workstations, seating, café tables and other ancillary items.

The pieces procured from the decommissioning jobsite gave us a great head start, but there were still some blank

spaces to fill. Next steps involved our team producing detailed drawings, an image book, and proposal to guide the client with furniture and finish selections. Subsequent client meetings were hosted at Rework's Chicago-based showroom and focused on choosing a variety of new and pre-owned pieces to complement the refurbished furniture procured in Minnesota. Because sustainability is at the heart of Rework's core values, our team jumped at the chance to repurpose the client's existing adjustable height bases by adding new, custom work surfaces. The refurbished workstations were incorporated into new private office desk sets by Custom Crafters, our sister company.

Installation day was seamless as we spent so much time upfront planning. The client was extremely happy with the end result and our attention to detail throughout the entire project. We are proud to be part of a project that leveraged large quantities of pre-owned furniture conserving natural resources and energy. Sustainable approaches that also provide cost-effective, blended solutions is what really sets Rework apart from the competition, and this project is a great example of just how effective this unique approach can be.



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