

Celebrating Success



M&S Resources Maintenance and Cleaning LLC

Filiberto and Aurora Moreno
Salem, OR
Started September 2009

Filiberto and Aurora Moreno have years of experience working hard in maintenance, repair work, and janitorial services. They found jobs here and there, but it wasn't enough to avoid bankruptcy. The Moreno's filed bankruptcy and struggled for a few years, but were able to overcome their financial hardship and stay together as a family.

In pursuit of a more financially stable future, Filiberto and Aurora decided to start a business based on what they know best—repair work, maintenance, and cleaning. M&S Resources Maintenance and Cleaning LLC started in September 2009. They provide janitorial services, handy man work, and routine maintenance for apartment complexes. The Moreno's knew they could provide superior service to their clients, but we're unsure if they could run a business. In February 2010, Aurora enrolled in MERIT to learn the basics of running a business. MERIT provided the training and advising necessary for Filiberto and Aurora to

grow M&S Resources Maintenance and Cleaning LLC to hire its first employees. In fact, the business outgrew their original facilities and now has office space on the corner of Capitol Street NE and Hood Street NE. Also, the business employs two other full-time workers.

Filiberto and Aurora are proud that they have been able to grow their business in this economy. They enjoy their work and the opportunity to meet new people and businesses. The Moreno's are dedicated to their business and their clients. They find deep satisfaction in their clients' appreciation of their work and are working hard to continue to grow their business.



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