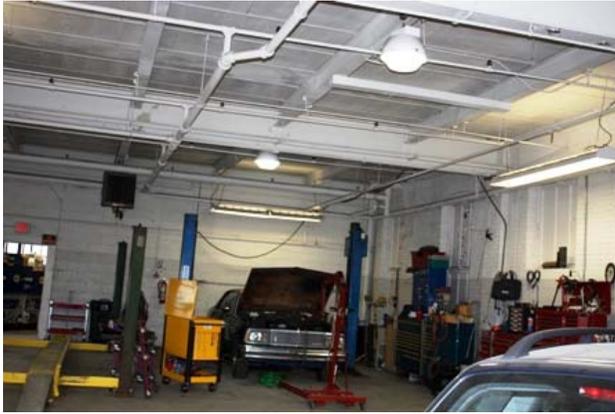


Clemens Auto Repair

Clemens Auto Repair is your typical family-owned auto mechanic shop in Racine. Clemens is a full service auto repair and preventive maintenance center. They are qualified to repair and service all domestic and imported vehicles using parts that are equal to or exceed the standards of those parts originally used by the manufactures. Dwight's business has been in Racine for over 33 years including 8 years at their current location.



In the auto repair business, Dwight has to maintain a line of credit to certain customers and, unfortunately, Dwight had several companies who owed his business money file bankruptcy leaving him with the bill. SBA was able to help Dwight with a loan just when he needed it. "We would have closed our doors for good without the SBA loan," Dwight said.

Dwight said that he has actually seen an increase in the number of people repairing their cars because they don't have the money to buy new ones. He is very thankful he was able to stay open long enough to see the demand increase.

Clemens Auto Repair was able to hire 1.75 new full time employees for the business because of the loan. This is nearly DOUBLE his current workforce of two. His latest new employee started on May 18, 2009.

Dwight is a veteran. He is married with two children and one grandchild.

Part of Clemens Auto Repair Code of Ethics is to perform high quality repair service at a fair and just price and to have a sense of personal obligation to each customer. They also insure that their entire staff conducts themselves in a professional manner and in keeping with the high standards of the automotive industry.

Clemens Auto Repair is a success story in the truest sense and SBA was glad to have been assistance to Dwight in keeping his business going.