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Your Work Address: 331 W Jefferson St. Elkhorn WI 53121 United States **What was the issue you were trying to solve?:** Reduce costs in the transportation sector o the Whitewater Unified School district, where I was a board member for 8 years. I spoke with Nate Yager the Business Manager, about our auto shop to do all of the repairs on the schools equipment. This would be a win for all

What was the proposed plan to address the issue?: To use the auto shop to repair school vehicles under the supervision of the auto shop teacher. The district would have real life work for students to work on in the environment of the class room while running the maintenance of our equipment tracking the real costs and savings to the district.

How was the plan implemented?: Nate spoke to the auto shop teacher about repairing these vehicle both would track the costs and savings to the district. And the students are able to work on real life examples.

How did it solve the problem?: In the first month the district did not have to spend \$1,800.00 on vehicle repairs because the class did the repairs and not a local shop. To clarify the repairs would have cost \$3,000.00 but because of the school buying the parts and having the students install them these same repairs cost the district \$1,300.00.

What was saved? Or what new funds were generated?: To be clear funds were simply not spent.

Would you be interested in submitting your idea for the 2014 Business Services Award?: Yes