

# Business in the Region

## Hinkle's Auto Repair Moves to East Greenville

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On a warm and sunny day in August, Mike Hinkle was busy at work in his new business space located at 136 Washington Street in East Greenville. He originally had his shop at 2703 Geryville Pike and serviced vehicles for 13 years. Due to various circumstances, he moved his business in September 2018.

The building he bought was on the market for two years. When he decided to leave his location on Geryville Pike, he bought the building and put all of his equipment in storage for three months.

Mike did all the work in his shop. It's a clean and efficient one-man show.

His new space is organized and welcoming for an auto repair shop. Mike is very friendly and is happy to answer questions and assist people with their vehicle issues.

"People need their vehicle to get to work. I love this town and the people that live in this town," said Mike.

Hinkle will greet you with an honest smile and a sincere desire to help you get your vehicle in safe and proper running condition. He under-



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Mike Hinkle, owner of Hinkle's Auto Repair, has relocated his business to 136 Washington Street in East Greenville, from its previous location on Geryville Pike in Upper Haver Township.

stands people need their vehicles fixed honestly and correctly.

Community and setting a good business example are priorities for Mike. He is aware of the impact that his business has on the community and environment.

Mike wants to rewrite the environmental stigma that is associated with the auto industry. Mike cares for the environment and goes above and beyond what is expected of him by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Mike installed a heater that utilizes waste oil from the vehicles he works on. All tires are recycled in Conshohocken. At the facility they upcycle tires into playground mulch. Mike separates scrap metal and recycles it locally at Always Be Recycling in Norristown.

He believes in business transparency and that taking care of a community is a collective effort. "Business leaders in a community set an example. We need to help out in the community where it is needed," said Mike.

Mike Hinkle enjoys the work he does. "I love cars. I enjoy troubleshooting. Especially the electrical stuff," said Mike.