Case Study: City of San Bernardino Ca\$hierCentral & LicenseTrack[™] -- Business Licensing & Central Cashiering



Case Summary

The City of San Bernardino is the largest city within the largest county of both California & the Continental United States. Home to 185,400 residents, city staff processes business registration returns in excess of \$5.3 million & TLT of \$2.8 million dollars annually.

Located at the foot of the beautiful San Bernardino Mountains at the edge of the San Bernardino National Forest, the City of San Bernardino serves as county seat for 1,110,500 county residents.

Whether you like the crisp, mile-high mountain air or the warm, dry desert climate, you'll find it in the San Bernardino area. The famous San Gabriel and San Bernardino Mountains are close by, with their beautiful lakes, trees, streams and resorts. They give the region a reputation for skiing, ice skating and other winter sports. During the rest of the year, there's plenty of fishing, sailing, water skiing, hiking and boating.

Located centrally in Southern California, San Bernardino is about a 1 hour drive from beaches, the desert, the mountains, and downtown Los Angeles.

The city has standardized on Microsoft® technology including Windows®, SQL Server and Office. PSI software incorporates Microsoft[®] standards to ensure reliable, robust & progressively improving software.

San Bernardino business registration staff had been restricted by limited home grown software for over 15 years. With a staff of over 8 members, each user requires concurrent access to registration data on a very frequent basis. After carefully and critically reviewing several systems, city staff concluded that only **Progressive Solutions**®s **LicenseTrack**™ offered the features crucial to their business registration enterprise.

In 2003, *Progressive Solutions* was asked to partner with the city to replace their existing system and bring registration operations up to date with current technology. The goal was to efficiently track and issue business registrations and to implement revenue recovery procedures. According to Business "Over the years, I Revenue Inspector, Michael Stanley: regularly observed that *Progressive* was the only company constantly leading in licensing automation and innovation. The **Progressive** system enables non technical users to pose virtually any questions to the system and easily retrieve answers."

According to Cindy Buechter, the Business Registration Supervisor: "The data migration was the most painless ever witnessed by city staff with live operations & within 60 days from sign up. Ad hoc letter writing is simple and effortless.

Financial reporting of results over any period is easy, quick, customizable and readily auditable via drill down capabilities. Furthermore, the system generates journal entries in a printed or electronic format. **Progressive Solutions**® is truly responsive to our needs. '

During and post implementation, *Progressive Solutions*® customized numerous forms and reports to suit city requirements.

As part of the city/PSI partnership, PSI audit staff reviewed our occupancy tax payments and identified over \$200,000 in revenue owed to the city within the first 3 months of operation. The integrated and automated AB990 program has assisted, the city to identify numerous non compliant (unlicensed) businesses holding resale accounts. With the business registration/tax auditing module, city staff can request documents to verify reported information. Progressive Solutions® has provided the means to monitor & enforce compliance.

About Progressive Solutions®

Progressive Solutions®, developer of Ca\$hierCentral & LicenseTrack[™], brings heightened security, efficiency and convenience to city staff. Progressive Solutions® incorporated next generation hardware and software technology enabling market-ready governmental enterprise solutions. Based in Brea, CA, the company distributes their product through an extensive network of VAR and reseller channels and has entered into strategic partnerships.

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