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Case Study

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The Full Study



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- Originally users went to an unmanaged storage closet for assets. Items are now managed in a Rotopoint and Clear Front Locker solution.

- Prior to SupplyPoint solution, customer had 0 visibility of usage by user. This is all now done through the installed system.

- Availability is 24 hours per day



Challenges

The customer was originally managing items such as PPE, small lab equipment, and office supplies in a storage closet that was not in a high foot traffic area. Time was being wasted whenever users needed to grab items for use, which had a negative effect on productivity. There was very little visibility to inventory levels in the storage closet since transactions were not tracked. This also gave no visibility to how much a user was taking at any given time. Users hoarding items was a common issue. Sometimes the customer would run out of items since there was little visibility of inventory levels.

The customer finally grew tired of the challenges, and began investigating intelligent vending solutions based upon their needs.



How it Helped

A consultant from a SupplyPoint distributor was contacted by the customer and brought in our team to assess the customer site's environment, size of items, and frequency of use per item. After reviewing the variety of item sizes and frequencies of use, it was recommended that the customer would use a Rotopoint attached to a clear front locker to manage their assets going forward. Then SupplyPoint and the customer identified a high foot traffic area for users that could fit a vending station in the building. Through the solution's software, the customer was now able to track transactions, inventory levels, and usage per user.



Results & Return on Investment

After implementation, users were now quickly able to obtain items during their day with SupplyPoint's Rotopoint and Clear front locker solution. The inventory manager now had full visibility to inventory levels and transaction history per user through the reporting features of the software. This eliminated both wasteful hoarding by the 63 active users, as well as not ordering items in time for restock before inventory was depleted. The solution was such a success that the customer had budgeted for an identical solution for a different site the following year.

Management of critical consumables and PPE were key benefits from labor, production and inventory control standpoints. The system SupplyPoint delivered will allow us to expand as our future needs require. Yearly savings on gloves provided £140K in annual savings, and consumable item savings was £79K. The ROI based on yearly savings was 3.5 months.