

## INVESTING IN KEY CONTROL

Corporate organizations and executives are constantly stretching to do more in less time. Many administrators are becoming tasked with assuming responsibility over legacy programs with fewer resources, only to discover unknown areas of concern. When these uncertainties arise in facility safety or security, investigation and quick resolution are paramount. Cost effectiveness help guide these decisions, but there's nothing like already being prepared.

In 2003, Corporate Security for Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains discovered a Key Control program that was designed to limit liability and costs in case of lost or unaccounted for keys. This preparedness, years later, would provide a real time resolution to a security concern, but more importantly, result in an incredible, cost effective ROI.

InstaKey Security Systems' Key Control program is based on restricted and serialized, nonduplicable keys, a revolutionary rekeyable lock cylinder when keys are lost, and a patented web-based software platform allowing anyone to simply manage key compliance through audit and exception reporting.

For over 10 years, Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains has utilized InstaKey Security Systems' Key Control program to secure their Corporate Offices as well as forty-four (44) regional Clinics. The implementation of this program has helped to reduce key quantities and alleviate the concerns with lost keys, employee turnover, and resulting locksmith expenses.

Each restricted key is serial numbered, assigned to a key holder, and tracked using the patented, web-based SecurityRecords.com® software. In addition, the restricted key blanks are not available on the open marketplace; ensuring employees will be unable to make copies.

Angela Wells, Vice President of Administration, assumed responsibility over Operations, Security, and Facilities in 2010. After taking over these responsibilities, she recently discovered an unknown variable regarding grand master keyed access and who had those keys. After conducting a quick audit and investigation, she identified unaccounted for keys linked to recent security concerns and immediately determined the need to rekey.

In many facilities, a grand master key loss would be extremely expensive and time consuming to resolve. All locks and key holders would be affected and rumors would spread. But with InstaKey's innovative rekeyable locks, two executives were able to rekey over 120 locks and restored security in less than an hour and fifteen minutes.

"InstaKey's rekeying process is 'tremendously simple' and we were able to maintain confidentiality when only the grand master key holders were affected. There was no disruption to our Operations, no distributing out hundreds of new keys or changing out all the locks, and it provided the most simple and cost effective way to restore security", said Ms. Wells.

"But the best part is that you wouldn't believe what it cost. I think our response was, are you kidding, it is only the cost of the next set of keys? Wow!" said Ms. Wells.

"Having the ability to timely change the locks at minimal expense was the most valuable aspect, but also having a committed representative walk us through all phases was very satisfying. Bill Carter, our account representative, responded promptly and helped us through resolution. We are very pleased with InstaKey's Key Control program and devotion to our security partnership", added Ms. Wells.

"My colleagues and I pride ourselves on providing the utmost in Key Control consultation. From installation coordination through education of the first or last rekeying instance, it is our responsibility to work with customers and provide them step by step guidance and consultation to help minimize their overall Key Control costs", Bill Carter added.

"I would recommend that any corporate or small business administrator look into InstaKey's Key Control program services. It's well worth your investment", stated Ms. Wells.