



A creative solution to fulfill a contract increases the work of Fremin Ventures d/b/a FCS Facility Maintenance. Pictured here from left to right are: Willie Miller, Mollie Ballentine, Sophia Rodriguez, Keith Fremin, Rocky Fremin, Hunter Rodriguez and David Hill. Photo by Chad Riley Photography

THE TWO SIDES OF FREMIN VENTURES

The owners of Fremin Ventures d/b/a FCS Facility Maintenance have a history of making pivotal choices when it comes to the future of their company. Founded in 2002, the husband and wife team of **Keith** and **Rocky Fremin** moved ahead of the 2008 recession by switching the company's focus from residential to commercial.

In 2016, they won a contract with the City of Mobile's blight removal program to clear landscapes, secure and repair properties so they can be sold and, in some cases, perform demolition. But a call from their insurance broker almost put a halt to it. A quick and creative solution created a new division, saved the project and broadened the company's services significantly.

"We did not want to turn the City of Mobile down," says Rocky, who serves as president, "so we divided the company into two divisions to do the work, and that made it easier to find insurance to cover both sides of the company."

Fremin Ventures is the Mobile Area Chamber's Small Business of the Month.

Both FCS Facility Maintenance and FCS Property Services fall under the Fremin Ventures umbrella as divisions that employ eight people. "Through the years, the company has diversified and added many new trades to its portfolio," Rocky says.

The maintenance division provides facility support for clients in the private and public sectors along the Gulf Coast with preventative and general maintenance and repairs, and is on call 24/7 year-round for emergencies. Services include flooring, electrical work, plumbing, boarding-up for hurricanes and restoration.

The property division focuses on exterior needs, including demolition work, excavation, debris removal, hauling services, brush cutting and land clearing for both residential, commercial and public customers.

To make way for its own growth and expansion, the family-owned company is undergoing a complete remodel to accommodate additional field and office employees.

The Fremins take advantage of the Chamber's Business Expo and cull through the *Business View* to meet other local businesses and add to their networking base.

Several community organizations have benefited from the company's and employees' generosity from monetary donations to volunteer hours to in-kind materials for gardens and remodels.

"We are service and community oriented," says Rocky.

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