

# Making a Difference in I.T.



I.T. is not just support. It's more than providing and maintaining tools used to drive business. I.T. professionals are in a position to innovate and affect change inside—and outside—of their organizations, in impactful ways. We asked real I.T. pros for their stories.

Are you ready to be inspired?

## This is How I.T. Pros in the Spiceworks Community Have Made a Difference.

- Built from scratch
- Saved money
- Saved time
- Community impact



"We said thanks, but no thanks, to [the vendor's] huge price increase."



**CHRIS**

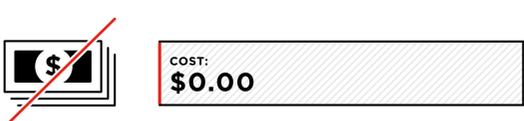
When faced with a pricey software license renewal, Chris instead created his own software solution—saving tons of money for his organization.



"The response was fantastic. Everyone loved how easy it was."

**BRIAN**

Brian streamlined a manufacturing process, cut waste, satisfied an ISO requirement, and wowed an entire room of company execs with a customized system demo—that would cost the company \$0.



"I've completely revamped our OS deployments."



**ED**

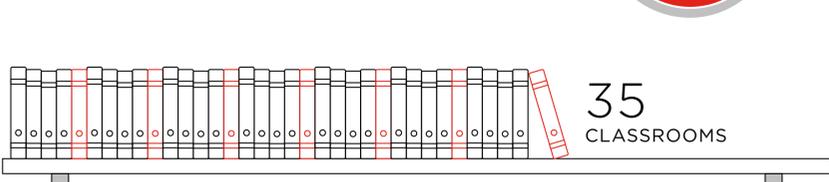
Ed reduced the average time for OS deployment from 8 hours down to 30 minutes.



"I've revamped all 35 classrooms to have the exact same equipment hookups, so no matter what room a teacher is in, they can operate the technology the same way."

**JARED**

Jared simplified his school's classrooms and reduced the influx of tech tickets.



"I set up a program to collect old computers and monitors from local businesses and had college interns refurbish them. I then had them distributed through local family resource centers."

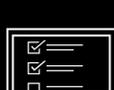


**MICHAEL**

Michael used his I.T. skills to share technology and make a positive impact in his community.

## How Can You Be an I.T. Difference Maker?

Follow these tips to make a real difference in your organization:



### MAKE IT REAL

Make your genius tangible to business decision-makers by letting them test-drive solutions.



### DIY

I.T. innovators can often create their own solutions that are a better fit than expensive software or services.



### SIMPLIFY

Sometimes an organization doesn't realize how much time and energy is wasted by complex clusters of systems and equipment—until the clutter is gone.



### AUTOMATE

Eliminating repetitive, time-consuming tasks can free everyone to be more creative and effective.



### REACH OUT

You can make a difference in people's lives inside and outside your organization.

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