

# harder working spaces



#### specs

Emerging Biz Toledo, Ohio 7,500 square feet 10 employees

#### solutions provided

Furniture Floorcovering Space Planning Architectural Products Branding Audiovisual Solutions Move Management

strategic partners

Primeway Thomas Porter Architects

#### featured products

media:scape by Steelcase Elective Elements 6 by Steelcase Gesture Seating by Steelcase Airtouch by Details Host by Coalesse SW1 Conferencing by Coalesse Campfire by Turnstone Swift by National



## nbs toledo showroom

### Toledo Transformation: Bygone Building Gets Modern Makeover

When it comes to character this former electric company showroom in Toledo's trending Warehouse District has it in spades. Case in point? Vintage oak floors, terracotta brick walls, massive timber beams and tooled sheet metal all contribute to its cool urban vibe. Following a gut-renovation by Thomas Porter Architects, those enduring treasures became part of a comprehensive sustainability plan too. Now the NBS Showroom is a prime example of updating without making the original obsolete.

NBS Toledo is a case study in one of the leading workplace issues of the day: real estate optimization. A showroom, office and warehouse are smartly integrated in 7,500 sq. ft. There is no wasted space. An open plan integrates the concepts of "parks" and "neighborhoods" — of shared and owned spaces. Shared spaces are dynamic environments where interaction and ideas flow freely among colleagues engaged in collaborative or group-work. The neighborhood encompasses more private areas where individual or focused work can be accomplished. Furnishings have been carefully chosen to support the unique purpose of each particular area.

Entering this space, visitors gain a quick appreciation for the NBS brand. In a building renovated to meet LEED standards for environmental and energysavings, we integrated the architecture, furniture and technology to help energize communication and optimize performance. Welcome to modern workplace insights in action.

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