

# Metal Panels, Inc.

## Manufacturing a Higher Quality of Life for Tulsa

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MITCHELL HENTKOWSKI: The MPI president and co-founder is leading his company to the forefront in the manufacture and selling of metal panels, guttering and trim products for roofing and siding.

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Metal Panels, Inc., or MPI, began business in 2001 with only two employees. Today MPI is housed in a 33,000 sq. ft. state of the art facility and services a three state region. Led by Mitchell Hentkowski, president, MPI is a stout contributor to Tulsa's economy with a compassion for what they do.

MPI's manufacturing facility is active with some of the most precise panel roll formers in the industry and a team of exceptional workers. The layout is smart with a bay where trucks literally drive right through the building and are loaded with orders only feet away from the manufacturing process providing an efficacious system.

MPI manufactures and sells metal panels, guttering and trim products for roofing and siding. That may be obvious. What may not be obvious is that MPI has a full line of insulation products and is an Energy Star certified manufacturer. Their impeccable service includes education and professional advice. There is true merit in what MPI offers. MPI is a tremendous corporate citizen with much to offer Tulsa.

MPI's products are available to homeowners and do-it-yourselfers, but most of their volume is through contractors for commercial uses. Some local businesses covered in MPI's panels include Hillcrest's Utica Park Clinics, Bank of Oklahoma and RiverWalk Crossing.

There is an ulterior motive to what is going on at MPI. They make their living producing and selling quality products. But these people have a strong conscience and work hard to be as environmentally friendly as they can and take great pride at how their products aid in energy efficiency for businesses and homes. MPI limits landfill waste by recycling their scrap metal and buying recycled products.

As part of their education outreach, MPI teaches their customers that while reducing their energy costs, they reduce their impact on the environment. For instance, by using MPI's radiant barrier insulation in conjunction with traditional insulation, customers can save as much as 25 percent on energy bills. The radiant barriers are inexpensive, so it does not take long to get a return on the initial investment. Additionally, MPI's metal panels are painted with reflective pigments aiding in energy efficiency and the metal panels are 100 percent recyclable.

Tax credits are as high as 30 percent for certain products now and metal panels and insulation fit within some of the eligible categories. Insurance companies are giving up to 20 percent discounts for metal roofing because of their resistance to fire. The MPI team is easily accessible to discuss all of these topics with anyone. For more information, visit [www.metlpanels.com](http://www.metlpanels.com).

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