



# GREEN CENTURY FUNDS

Green Century<sup>o</sup> is helping consumers, farmers, and businesses repair their devices and machines. These victories are a win for customers and the environment.

## Right to Repair

### Repair Saves Resources

Companies don't make things like they used to, and that's a big problem.

- Most of our stuff used to be built to last and was readily repairable. But more manufacturers of electronics, appliances and even tractors are restricting consumers from doing their own repairs or using independent repair shops.
- This results in a massive amount of waste – and now electronic waste, or e-waste, is the fastest growing waste stream in the world.

### Green Century's Solution

The solution is simple: Companies need to design their products to last and give consumers the right to repair their stuff.

- Just by expanding the life of the average cell phone by one year – we could reduce the amount sent to landfills by 25%.

### Key Successes

Apple\* - Green Century filed with Apple in 2022, asking the company to make parts, tools, and repair manuals available for its products. The company reversed its longstanding opposition to repair by providing these essential parts and services – and even supported legislation which codifies right to repair into law in 2023.

An investment strategy that incorporates environmental, social and governance criteria may result in lower or higher returns than an investment strategy that does not include such criteria.



Green Century is securing the right to repair to give consumers the freedom to choose to fix their own devices without voiding their warranties.



Alphabet\* - Green Century asked Google to make parts available for its Pixel cell phones in 2022 and the company listened. After PIRG published its “Chromebook Churn” report, Green Century was critical in getting the company to expand support for Chromebooks in 2023 – a move that could prevent up to 100 million laptops from becoming waste.



Microsoft\* - Microsoft’s plans to cancel Windows 10 security support in 2025 meant that nearly 400 million computers could have ended up in the trash. Green Century asked Microsoft to extend security support for Windows 10 for everyone and make it affordable. Microsoft agreed to extend support for all users and offered updates for schools for only \$1 per computer.



Dell\* - Green Century withdrew its shareholder proposal with Dell after the company published a position statement that outlined its approach to product repair and circular design. The company highlighted its definition of repairability and noted its longstanding support of its “customers’ choice to repair their own device.

Deere & Co.\* - The maker of iconic green tractors, required farmers to repair their equipment exclusively at Deere dealerships, causing delays when fields need to be plowed, planted and harvested. Green Century has filed two shareholder resolutions at Deere, asking the company to give farmers access to repair their own tractors.

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