



# GREEN CENTURY

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## Advancing Right to Repair

Green Century pushes companies to give people what they need to fix their stuff.

### Problem

- Companies don't make things like they used to. 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 among the fastest growing solid waste streams in the world.



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### Green Century's Solution

Green Century helps businesses and people get what they need to fix and keep using their devices and equipment by:

- Persuades companies give consumers the right to repair products or use independent shops without breaking warranties.
- Getting companies to make the parts, tools, and information available so individuals and businesses can keep using their devices – from cell phones to tractors.
- Encouraging companies to support Right to Repair initiatives at the state and national levels.

*Green Century helps ensure that people can get their electronics fixed. See back side for more examples.*

### Key Successes

Green Century has secured three right to repair commitments since 2022 and filed resolutions.

**Apple** - Green Century helped persuade the company to reverse its longstanding opposition to the right to repair by providing essential parts and services. Apple now makes the components, tools, and repair manuals available for its products – and even supported legislation which codifies right to repair into law in 2023.

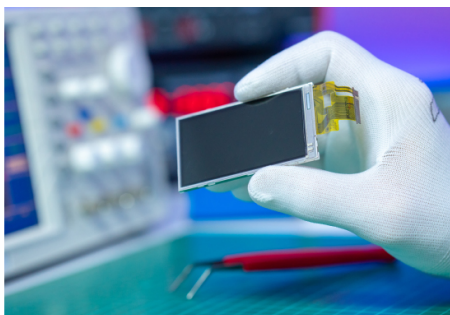


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**Alphabet** - Green Century got Google parent Alphabet to sell Pixel phone parts to independent repair shops and consumers. Green Century helped persuade the company to expand support for Chromebooks in 2023 – a move that could prevent up to 100 million laptops from becoming e-waste.



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**Microsoft** - Microsoft's plans to cancel Windows 10 security support in 2025 meant that up to 400 million computers could have been rendered obsolete overnight, triggering the largest surge in junked computers in history. Green Century pressed Microsoft to extend security support for Windows 10 for all users and make it affordable. After Microsoft agreed to offer extended security updates to organizations of all sizes and for the first time to individuals, Green Century withdrew the shareholder proposal it had filed. More recently, Microsoft announced that it would offer the security updates to consumers for free.



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**Dell** - Green Century withdrew its shareholder proposal with Dell after the company published a position statement that outlined its consumer-friendly 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.”



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**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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