## BUSINESS **SPOT**LIGHT

## **LEVAN MACHINE** AND TRUCK EQUIPMENT

Levan Machine and Truck Equipment, located in Fleetwood, PA, just outside of Reading, has adapted their business over the past 85 years to expand and thrive. Today it is recognized as one of the Top 50 businesses based in Berks County. They survived a Covid pandemic and are now fighting their way through all the supply chain issues facing the world's economy.



Levan Machine and Truck Equipment is a one-stop, full-service machine shop and custom fabricator, for all things related to machining and commercial vehicle upfitting. Since 1936 their machine shop has serviced customers throughout the United States and currently also services customers internationally. From custom machining and fabricating, to prototyping, to welding, to completely engineered projects, Levan Machine and Truck Equipment is a job shop that specializes in custom work. Levan also provides aftermarket truck accessories/parts, and has a truck and trailer service and repair division too.

The machine shop is known for their CNC manufacturing and repair machining projects, and the current supply chain delays have driven a higher need for repair work. "We are reverse engineering parts for many of our manufacturing clients because they need to keep their lines working, and the supply issues simply halt their operations," said Austin Schaeffer, Machine Shop Manager. "We have a few food manufacturing customers that would typically order replacement parts from Europe, but it's impossible to get those parts today, so we are making them instead."



Levan Machine and Truck Equipment has an extensive selection of truck products regardless of the size of commercial vehicle from Class 1 up to Class 8. Their truck body partners include Knapheide, Air-Flo, TruckCraft, BrandFX, Morgan, Eby and EZ Dumper. "We are also seeing product delays in our industry,



and one of the biggest challenges is the availability of truck chassis," stated Brian Levan, CEO and President. "It is frustrating because we have lots of customer demand, but our customers simply cannot find a truck chassis. And we had customers with trucks on order that were recently canceled by Ford and GM. This impacts their daily business operations and is an inventory challenge for us too."

The team at Levan listens to their customers before, during and after the sale is complete. They work hard to ensure they build a truck to meet your daily work needs, and if you aren't sure what you need, they'll help you figure it out. Levan has several great relationships with commercial auto and truck dealers and can help facilitate the buying process too. They specialize in truck bodies, van



solutions, toolboxes, mobile power solutions, lift solutions, hydraulic systems, specialty lighting, and crane systems.

They are not just a truck shop or machine shop and instead combine the two. "When we build a custom truck we have the ability to machine or fabricate anything we want and make it work for the customer," Levan said.

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