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## Looking for independence? Franchising could be the answer.

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Some people are cut out to work for others. They like to punch in at 9:00am and punch out at 5:00pm. Mentally free of worry about the company issues, they perform their jobs daily and put it all aside when they get home.

Then there are those who thrive on independence. They've usually experienced a hard time working for others, such as a layoff, a corporate takeover or an acquisition where their job was eliminated or management they simply couldn't get behind. For these people, franchising can be a terrific alternative.

"I left my previous career because of my passion for green energy and all things sustainable," said Thomas Hsiao, a franchisee for SuperGreen Solutions. "This allows me the opportunity to help Charlotte and the Mid-Atlantic region to go green with a business model I personally believe in."

"In my old career, I didn't have the independence to follow my passions and give back to the community the way I wanted. It wasn't my choice, but when I bought my own franchise, I was allowed to choose one that allowed me to feed my need for helping the environment."

Hsiao's dedication to the environment extends well beyond his business. In March, the SuperGreen Solutions owner was invited to the White House thanks to his involvement with the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, U.S. Green Building Council and work with Charlotte-area politicians to promote pro-green energy legislation.

"I've been working with local politicians to get legislation to help finance green energy projects in the private sector," Hsiao said. "I believe in green energy and look forward to helping my community go green."

Hsiao also works with non-profit organizations like Habitat for Humanity and the Ronald McDonald House, helping them identify opportunities to save on operating costs.

SuperGreen Solutions currently has 18 locations in ten states: California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island and Texas. The company has four additional locations under development and is targeting California, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Washington (state) among other strategic markets for growth. By the end of 2014, the company expects to have 70 stores, and plans call for a total of 300 locations within 3 to 5 years. For more information, visit [www.supergreensolutions.com](http://www.supergreensolutions.com)



*Thomas Hsiao bought a SuperGreen Solutions franchise so that he could follow his passion. Seen here at the White House.*