

Washing HOPE



## Help Us Wash Away Homelessness

AquaRecycle has been promoting environmental efficiency for nearly 20 years now, and our drive to find the places where our product makes a great environmental impact lead us to the Atlanta Union Mission ([www.atlantamission.org](http://www.atlantamission.org)) several years ago when their washing machines broke down. They were using a local coin laundry to wash their “guests” clothes and bed linens while they searched for donations to buy new washers. We were called because of the high utilities costs in Atlanta. We eventually donated a recycle system and it saves their organization \$25,000 each year.

Roll forward to last month, the Director of Facilities for the Atlanta Union Mission called me about their Woman’s and Children’s Shelter called My Sister’s House. They wanted me to donate another recycle system to their operation that provides housing and support to over 300 women and 100 children. I learned their washer (35 lb Milner) was not enough to support the laundry and they had smaller washers scattered all over the facility. This is when I realized, AquaRecycle can only do so much, but in alliance with the rest of the industry, WE CAN REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

By donating used washers and dryers we can eliminate a capital cost that isn’t part of the operating funds that are designated for food, counseling, job placement, and other benefits that will actually help get these families back on track. Did you know it costs \$2.57 to feed one person one meal every day? Donating used equipment you don’t need can save enough money for a homeless shelter to provide 20,000 meals. Imagine that!

By contributing to our cause, we can all begin to play a part in Washing H.O.P.E and Washing away homelessness in our community. H.O.P.E. stands for Homeless Organizations Promoting Excellence.

AquaRecycle has pledged \$50,000 for initial funding of the nonprofit organization. These funds will be used to pay for freight to send the equipment to the homeless shelter as well as the cost to install the equipment. All we ask is your donation of a working washing machine. Please limit these to small (pony) commercial washers and dryers between 35 lbs and 100 lbs capacity

To be a part of our cause please contact me directly, or fill out the contribution form at [www.WashingHOPE.org](http://www.WashingHOPE.org)

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