



amenityaid | Charity
at Work



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501(c)(3) charity
that provides personal
hygiene products
to at-risk and
in-need individuals

Participating Organization

Schneider Electric is a global specialist in energy management and automation with a large office located in West Kingstown, Rhode Island.

Aligning Shared Goals

With an existing community outreach program in place, Schneider Electric has a rich history of participating in charitable collection drives and giving back to the community through its internal Community ImpACT program. Schneider Electric was looking to align with a local charity for employee donations, and was introduced to Amenity Aid.

Community Collaboration

Working closely with Schneider Electric's community outreach team, Amenity Aid planned the Charity at Work program to run from March 16th - 27th, 2015. During this time, employees were encouraged to bring in new personal hygiene products to donate to Amenity Aid, including soap, deodorant, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, feminine care items and more. Large bins were placed at the main entrances of the building to make it easy for employees to drop off donations. Amenity Aid supported the collection drive by providing posters and table tents (to display on cafeteria tables) to promote the event.



Community Impact

Schneider Electric's West Kingstown office has about 1,200 employees who contributed over 900 toiletries during the company's two-week participation in the Charity at Work program.

"Working with Amenity Aid was a great experience and we were thrilled to partner with a program that provides assistance to Rhode Islanders who are in need of personal care products," stated Kristen Aucoin, Marketing Program Manager for Schneider Electric and co-project manager for the Community ImpACT charitable drives program.

Donations of full-size products, about half of the overall total, were brought to the Welcome House of South County, a Peace Dale-based nonprofit that provides emergency, transitional and supported permanent shelter to homeless men, women and families of Washington County. "Based on the shelter's average stay of forty-five days, we estimate this donation will sustain the Welcome House's toiletry demand for six months," explained Liz Duggan, founder and president of Amenity Aid.

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Smaller size amenities were brought to Crossroads Rhode Island in Providence for distribution to clients staying in its Operational First Step Emergency Shelter, Women's Shelter and Family Center. Travel-size products are ideal for emergency shelters whose occupants reside for only a short while," stated Liz. "Crossroads Rhode Island will also hand-out travel size toiletries to individuals who visit their organization but do not utilize their housing facilities."

"What's great about Amenity Aid is they understand the needs of the different housing programs so our donations are most efficiently used throughout the state. I would encourage any company to get involved and give back to such a great program," noted Kristen.



Get Started Today

To discuss your organization's participation in Charity at Work, please contact Liz Duggan at amenityaid@gmail.com.

About Charity at Work

Charity at Work is a program run by Amenity Aid, a Rhode Island based 501(c)(3) charity that provides personal hygiene products to at-risk and in-need individuals. Businesses that participate in Charity at Work host a collection box for toiletries at their place of employment to benefit Amenity Aid. All donations are distributed to local organizations that assist the homeless, at-risk, low income or victims of violence.

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