

Clean Start

Mobile Hygiene Unit

City of Fremont
Human Services Department



PURPOSE

For someone experiencing homelessness, keeping yourself and your clothes clean can be incredibly challenging, and can greatly impact your ability to get and keep a job, or simply participate in society. To meet this need, the City of Fremont, City of Newark, and several community partners developed the Clean Start Mobile Hygiene Program to provide much-needed shower and laundry services to our homeless neighbors.

Background

- **\$125,000 Alameda County Immediate Impact Grant**
- **City of Fremont and City of Newark decide to use funds for Mobile Hygiene Unit**
- **Researched various service delivery models**

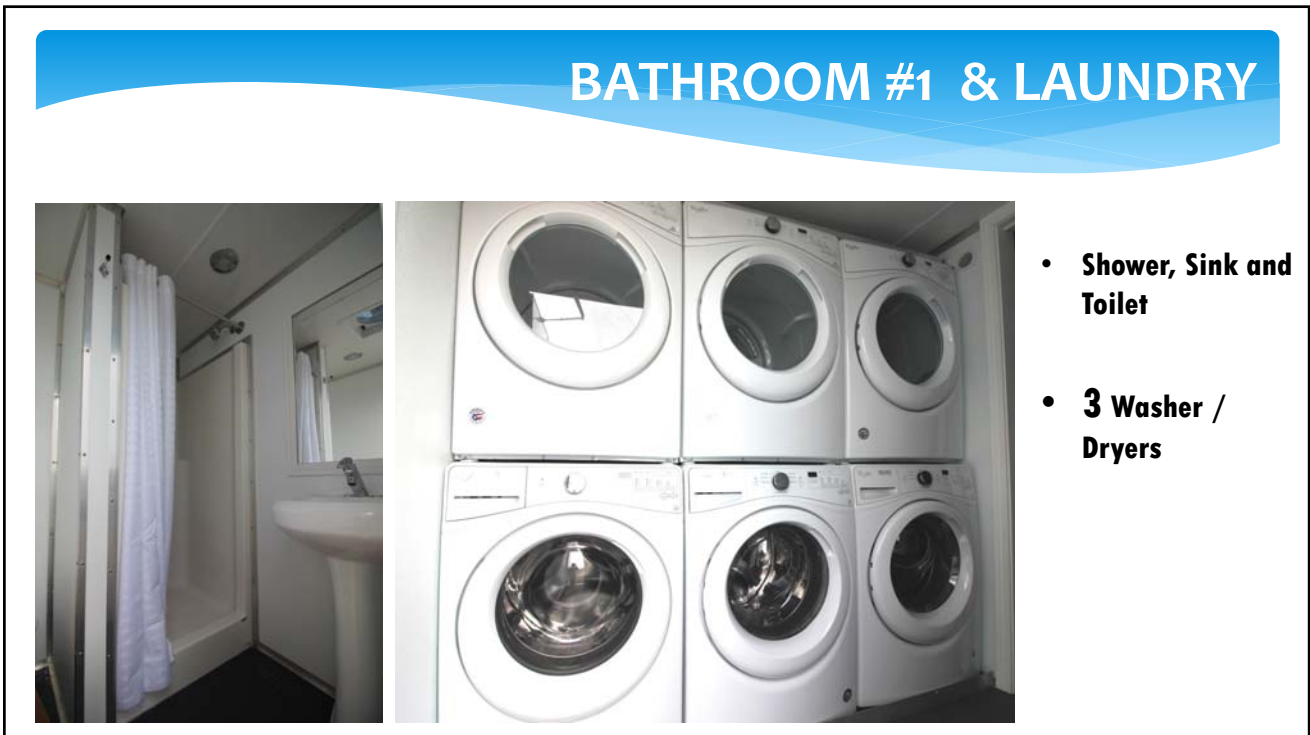
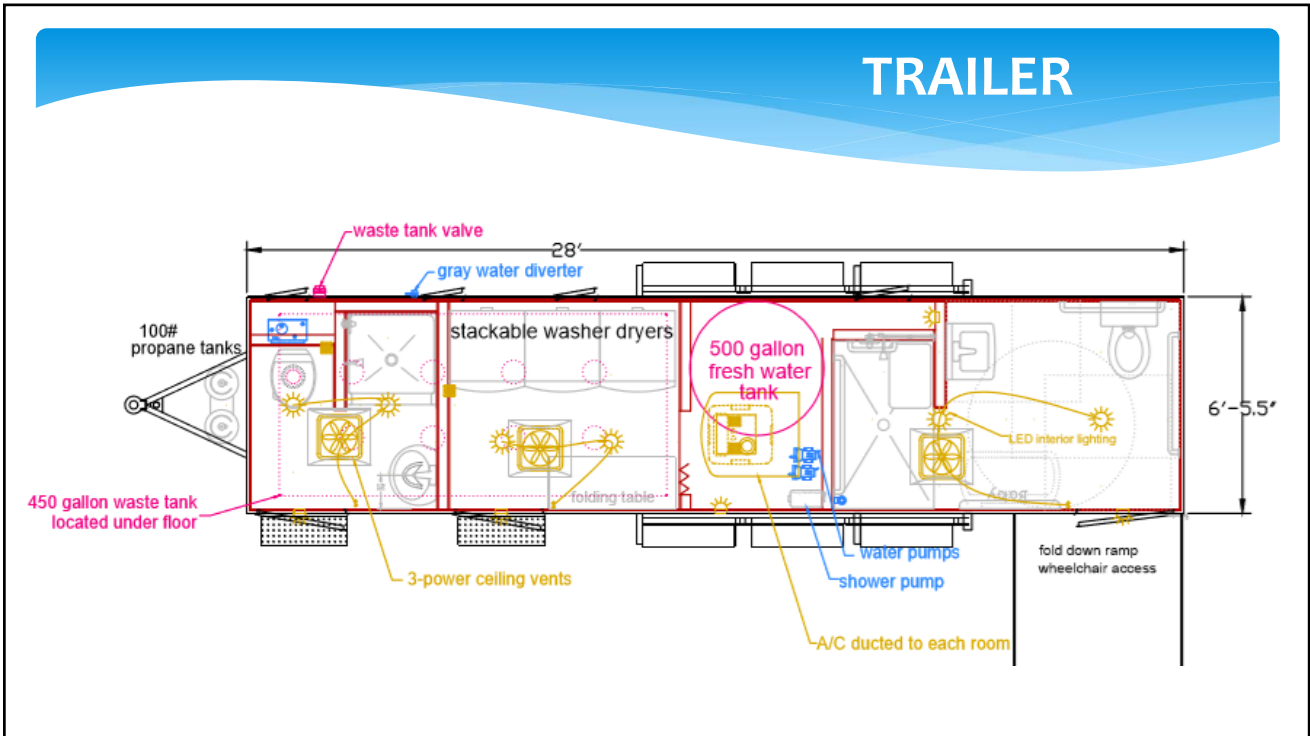
TRAILER

Bathroom
& Shower

Laundry
Facility

ADA Bathroom
& Shower





TRUCK



Ford F-350



Generator

BATHROOM #2 (ADA)

- **ADA Shower, Sink and Toilet**
- **Baby Changing Station**



Infrastructure Upgrades

- **New black/grey water clean-out at City Corporation Yard**
- **City Environmental Services worked with Union Sanitary District to complete a sewer cleanout assessment of all possible sites**
- **Reached out to Elks Lodge for alternate clean-out sites**

Service Partners

- **Project WeHOPE – Dignity on Wheels**
 - **Operating expertise, training and start up assistance**
- **CityServe**
 - **Volunteer Coordination**
- **Boy Scout Troop 103 – Eagle Scout Project**
 - **Hygiene kits and fundraising for vehicle wrap**

Sites

- **Centerville Presbyterian Church**
- **Newark Salvation Army**
- **Irvington Presbyterian Church**
- **Warm Springs Site TBD**



Site Partners

- **Centerville Presbyterian Church**
 - **Tuesday and Thursday Evening**
 - **Free Dining Program**
- **Newark Salvation Army**
 - **Wednesday Afternoon**
- **Irvington Presbyterian Church**
 - **Monday and Friday Morning**
 - **Free Breakfast Program**
- **Niles and Warm Springs Site TBD**

Site Requirements

- **Dedicated Space**
- **3 Volunteers per session**
- **A Pool of 6 to 8 volunteers**
- **Property Entry Agreement**

Lessons Learned

- **Class A Driver Requirements for a 10,000 lb. Gross Vehicle Weight Rating a major barrier**
- **Existing providers have gained a lot of valuable experience**
- **Tie showers to existing homeless services**
- **Explore Solar power option & Shower Timers**

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