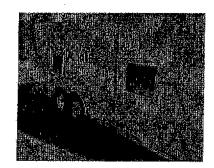


# Green fundraiser for non-profits!

Help Recycle Clothing, Shoes, & Linens



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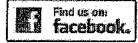


"Over the five years the trailer Bay State Textile provided us helps pay for athletic uniforms,"

- N. M. Littleton Youth Sports

Member, Secondary Materials and Recycled Textiles Association





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#### Raise Money for your Team, School or Non-Profit

Americans throw away 16 Billion pounds of textiles (clothing, shoes, linens) every year. Turn these throwaways into cash for your organization.

Bay State Textile Corp is a Massachusetts based **recycling company**. Over the last several years Bay State Textile has been working with several municipalities with diverting their post-consumer textile waste away from the general waste stream.

Did you know that Americans discard over 16 billion pounds of post consumer textile waste every year? This is primarily made up of clothing, household linens, and shoes. Less than 25% of the 16 billion pounds is reclaimed. It is sold in thrift stores and exported to several countries; primarily third world countries.

The Bay State Textile program is a win, win, win program for everyone.

First, you can turn these throw outs into revenue for your municipality or non-profit. We all realize that school programs are being cut for financial reasons. We also know that parents can write out so many checks to help subsidize school programs.

Second, the community benefits. Dumping fees are on the rise and municipalities need to reduce costs when they can. Recycling does this! It reduces solid waste dumping costs and turns this **recycled clothing** into new sources of revenue.

Finally, it is a win for the environment as a whole. Just think of all the natural resources used to produce all the raw materials when manufacturing clothing. Reclaiming these textiles also creates positive opportunities for poor families all over the world.

Bay State Textile Corp can tailor a textile recycling program for your school, civic organization, or your municipality. We have been in business since 2006. Our management team has over 40 years combined experience in the fabric recycling industry.

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From: Kathryn Larsen < kathryn.baystatetextiles@gmail.com >

Date: Thu, Jul 18, 2013 at 2:58 PM

Subject: Bay State Textiles Recycling Rebate Program - Ongoing GREEN Fundraiser

To: Superintendent David Paul Raiche < srieger@plainville.k12.ma.us>

Good Afternoon Susan,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you this afternoon and share on the Bay State Textiles Recycling Rebate Program. Below is information on the problem of textile waste and the solution Bay State Textiles offers.

Did you know...More than 520 MILLION pounds of usable textiles - including clothing, footwear, towels, bedding and other fabric-based products - were sent to landfills and incinerators in Massachusetts in the last year, of which 95 % can be reused or recycled. Bay State Textiles has developed a program to turn these textile throw outs into revenue for schools and municipalities. The concept of the rebate program is to educate students on textile recycling while providing financial support. "Textile recycling needs to become familiar and as easy to perform as bottle, can, and paper recycling." The "old rule" for donating was that the items needed to be clean and in good condition, the "new rule" for donations and textile recycling is "the good, the bad, and the ugly," visit Acceptable Items for Recycling on the Bay State Textile website.

The District Wide Program was first launched in the Weymouth and Quincy School District's last year, and in a short amount of time has had great success. Abington, Plymouth, Melrose, Natick, West Bridgewater, Pembroke, Beverly, Wakefield, Kingston and Hull have since launched the program in their school districts. I encourage you to read <u>Communities</u>, charities profit in recycling textiles featured in the Boston Globe highlighting Bay State Textiles.

#### It is a triple winner:

- 1. The schools generate needed revenue.
- 2. The town saves by keeping it out of the landfills and reducing tipping fees.
- 3. Helps the environment, the economy and educating the students.

I have attached statistics for potential revenue for the King Phillips District, a Letter of Recommendation from the Weymouth Public Schools and a picture of the box used (logo'ed for Abington.) I will follow up with you on July 31st on implementing a textile recycling program tailored to the Plainville School Community.



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### Bay State Textile's Recycling Rebate Program

### **School Box Program**

- District wide program
- Revenue generated goes to the schools
- Educational material provided
- Addresses a real world problem.
- Math, geography and economics

# King Phillip: Regional School District Statistics For Potential Revenue Combined Statistics for Wrentham, Norfolk, Plainville

Population: 30,446

The average American throws away about <u>70 pounds</u> of clothing, shoes and other household textiles each year, that equates to **1065 tons** 

Trash Disposal Tonnage 2010: 5374 tons, statistics show 6% of trash is textile waste, 6% = 322 tons

8 Schools - 5034 Students

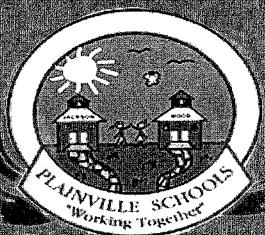
Each students brings in (2) ten pound trash bags of textiles = 50 tons of textiles

Bay State Textiles pays a rebate of \$100/ton for these unwanted textiles

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## Letter of Recommendation Provided by Weymouth Public Schools

It is my understanding that Kathryn Larsen from Bay State Textiles has referred you to our program as an example for textile recycling.

I've attached numerous items that should help you to determine if this program is right for you and/or your district.

I will say that Paul Curry is a true pleasure to work with – we have an entire School-Community Partnership Program and he is one of our best partners!

This program is extremely easy to run, has multiple benefits to the schools, the town, the environment, as well as the global economy. The MASS DEP at the statehouse is doing a case study on this program.

As I understand it, you are concerned about overflow becoming an issue. I will tell you that was one of our major concerns as well. Paul and his colleagues work very closely at all times to make sure that this does not become an issue. I have called him a couple of times and the concerns were addressed the same day. It is important to work together at the beginning to determine the level of service needed on a weekly basis. During peak promotion times, we often have pick-ups three times per week...during less peak times (ie: summer vacation), we drop to two times per week. Paul is a true professional in the sense that he puts the needs of the districts he is working with as a priority and promptly addresses every single concern brought to his attention.

Below are several links that will provide you with information about our School-Community Partnership Program. I hope you will be able to take a few moments to look at them:

#### WPS School-Community Partnership Brochure

http://www.weymouthschools.org/uploadedFiles/Support\_Our\_Schools/Brochure%20Booklet%20-%20Web %20Version%20-%202012-2013.pdf

WPS Support Our Schools website: scroll down alphabetically to find a partner <a href="http://www.weymouthschools.org/district\_sos.aspx?id=4134">http://www.weymouthschools.org/district\_sos.aspx?id=4134</a>

**Weymouth Pride Newsletter** – September/October 2012 http://www.weymouthschools.org/blank.aspx?id=8837

**Weymouth Pride Newsletter** – May 2012 – check out pages 7 & 13 for information on the Textile Recycle Program

http://www.wevmouthschools.org/blank.aspx?id=8056

I would give Paul Curry of Bay State Textiles my highest personal recommendation and would certainly encourage you to partner with him.

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