Clean Start, Fresh Future

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Introduction

As a team, we have chosen to address an environmental and social challenge that has a global impact but is particularly pressing in Phoenix, Arizona. Our initiative, "Clean Start, Fresh Future," aims to create a sustainable plan to raise awareness about the homeless population and provide them with essential resources to improve their quality of life.

Problem Statement

Phoenix has a homeless population of approximately **10,000 individuals** in the metropolitan area. Our goal is to serve at least **10% of this population (1,000 individuals)** within a weekend timeframe. By leveraging mobile systems and collaboration with local organizations, we aim to provide accessible and essential services, including hygiene facilities and first aid.

Proposed Solution

Mobile Hygiene Services

1. Shower Stations

- A 10-station mobile shower unit costs approximately \$89,900.
- This unit requires a tow vehicle costing between \$40,000 to \$80,000.
- The station will be operated by trained volunteers and set up at locations with water access, such as churches and homeless shelters.

2. Laundry Trailers

- An 8-station laundry trailer costs approximately \$99,950.
- Like the shower station, it also requires a tow vehicle.
- The system will provide detergent, soap, and towels for participants.

Implementation Plan

Target Shelters

Services will be focused on shelters with adequate water accessibility, including:

- Central Arizona Shelter Services (CASS)
- CASS Family Shelter
- UMOM New Day Centers
- Homeless ID Project
- o COTS Men's Shelter

Operational Strategy

- Schedule service times and dates to establish consistency.
- Mobilize systems to other organizations to expand reach.

Volunteer Network

- Recruit and train volunteers to operate the mobile stations.
- Collaborate with licensed professionals to provide basic medical assistance.

Additional Services

1. First Aid Kits

 Basic kits will include soap, baby wipes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, and other essentials.

2. Medical Assistance

- Establishing medical stations will depend on partnerships with licensed professionals.
- As an alternative, first aid kits will be distributed to meet immediate needs.

Growth Strategy

As the organization grows, it will be critical to:

1. Build a Trusted Network

- Engage participants as volunteers to foster community involvement.
- Utilize existing partnerships to create events and initiatives.

2. Fundraising and Donations

- Seek donations through:
 - Political connections.
 - Partnerships with established organizations.

- Networking with non-profits.
- Securing government grants.

Conclusion

"Clean Start, Fresh Future" is a mission-driven initiative designed to make a tangible impact on the homeless population in Phoenix, Arizona. By providing essential hygiene services, fostering community partnerships, and ensuring consistent support, we aim to create a pathway for individuals to reclaim dignity and build a brighter future. With ongoing donations, fundraising, and dedicated volunteers, this vision can become a sustainable reality.