



What kind of shoes can be donated?

We will take any and all types of shoes, regardless of their condition, as long as they are free from mold/mildew.

What does WaterStep do with the shoes?

WaterStep has an exporter that buys the shoes. Our exporter takes these shoes into some of the same developing countries that we do water purification projects and sells them to local vendors instead of giving them away. Because of this, we are contributing to micro-enterprise ventures that benefit the economy. This business model helps to provide funds for WaterStep, the exporter, and those small business owners in developing countries.

Why shoes?

Shoes serve another purpose besides providing WaterStep with funds for water purification.

One pair of donated shoes serves multiple purposes:

- Building the economy of a local community.
- Providing affordable footwear.
- Protecting landfills.
- Initiating sustainable water projects.

(Not to mention helping you maintain a clean closet!)

How does WaterStep use the funds raised?

All funds received go toward funding our mission, of empowering ordinary people to provide safe, clean water.