

Support HB 746
March 3, 2020

Dear Chair and Members of Appropriations,

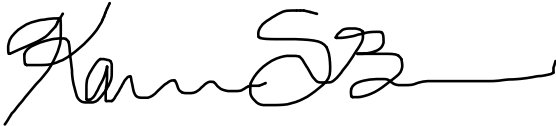
My name is Kaila Swann and I am a former intern of the Seneca unit at Shady Grove Hospital, where we provide short-term inpatient mental health care.

This letter is to show my support for a Mobile Laundry Truck. I believe there is a grave need to provide laundry services for Maryland's homeless population.

During my time at Shady Grove Hospital I have met with numerous patients suffering from homelessness. As a repercussion of their homelessness, they lack clothing or do not have the ability to properly clean the clothing they do have. Many of the patients expressed that it affects their dignity and determination.

A Mobile Laundry Truck will not only provide clean clothing, but dignity and courage for a change of mind, a change of heart, a change of way.

Thank you for your time,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kaila Swann', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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