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## **Fort Drum Contractor Gives Back to Community**

All Phase Services donates furniture, office equipment, supplies to Impossible Dream, Mission Donation raises revenue for the Watertown Urban Mission programs benefitting community

WATERTOWN/FORT DRUM (February 9, 2012)—When All Phase Services got the contract to take down 169 buildings on Fort Drum, James T. “Jim” Martin Jr. moved to Watertown and he immediately saw an opportunity to give back to his new community.

“We had some choices to make about what we were going to do with the stuff in the buildings we had to take down, and all of us at All Phase decided we wanted to help out,” Jim said. “I stopped in the Watertown Urban Mission, looked around, and realized this is the place I wanted work with. I’m glad that we’ve been able to help so many people by helping the Mission.”

Jim is the quality control manager for All Phase Services’ demolition contract with Fort Drum. As part of the contract, the company has the right to the contents of the buildings, including dressers, bunk beds, computer desks, armoires, bookshelves and more. Rather than sell the contents itself, the company has donated these items to the Impossible Dream Thrift Store to benefit the Watertown Urban Mission.

“The generosity of All Phase Services has been tremendous,” said Erika F. Flint, Watertown Urban Mission executive director. “Jim and his company have taken an interest in our work and the people of our community throughout Jefferson County who receive services here. The sales of this great merchandise go directly to our work to help people overcome the struggles in their lives.”

The Impossible Dream Thrift Store has already sold dozens of pieces of furniture donated by All Phase Services over the past few months. Today, your Mission received another couple of truck loads filled with dressers, chairs, desks and more. These were the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> loads since December. As with all items sold at the Impossible Dream Thrift Store, prices are kept low for all to afford and we encourage everyone to shop here because every dollar goes back into the Mission’s efforts to help people throughout our community. The Impossible Dream is truly “Where Every Good Deal is a Good Deed for Your Community.”

“We always have a great inventory because of the generosity of this community, but this donation from Fort Drum and All Phase Services has been amazing and people have really responded,” said Tammy Kirch, Impossible Dream Thrift Store manager. “If we put 10 dressers in our store, they are gone in a day. We’ve received so much and we are so grateful. They even brought us a couple of stainless steel industrial kitchen sinks.”

In addition to items for sale in the store, the generosity of All Phase Services has helped the Mission to address several building maintenance needs at no cost.

"We are truly blessed by the hard work of Jim and the generosity of All Phase," said Laura Wendt, president of the Watertown Urban Mission Board of Directors. "The items we have received not only increased our sales, but also helped us save money on items we needed for the general upkeep of our facility. We are so grateful that All Phase, like the soldiers who move to Fort Drum, has taken such a direct interest in this community and chose to do so by supporting the Watertown Urban Mission."

All Phase Services is a full-service construction/environmental remediation company offering professional construction management, environmental and demolition contracting services to both commercial and government clients. With its corporate offices in Delray Beach, Florida, All Phase has a record of outstanding performance in civil construction, demolition, and remediation.

"As a company, we are proud to not only provide quality services for our clients, but we're very proud of our record of being environmentally responsible and community minded," said Carlos Martins, president of All Phase Services. "We know how hard these nonprofits work in every community to help people in need and to be able to make an impact on this community by giving back is important to us."

"When we came in to see the Watertown Urban Mission and the Impossible Dream Thrift Store we immediately knew that this was the right organization for us to help," added Sal Rabah, vice president of All Phase. "As we work to complete this demolition on Fort Drum and clean up behind us, we hope that we make a lasting impact on Jefferson County through our work with the Watertown Urban Mission."

The Watertown Urban Mission brings together community minded individuals, businesses, organizations and churches to help families through difficult times with programs that provide food and drink, offer clothing and other household needs, assist the homeless in finding housing, give the addicted and imprisoned a chance to get their lives back on track, aid the sick with prescriptions and help getting to medical appointments, and more. With generous donor and volunteer support, the Watertown Urban Mission helps people to rise above difficult circumstances, which, in turn, strengthens our community as a whole.

The Impossible Dream Thrift Store is a program of the Watertown Urban Mission, offering quality gently used merchandise at the best prices in the region. The sales at the thrift store support the work done at the Mission to directly help individuals in need right here in our own community. The store depends on the generosity of this community for its inventory which includes clothing, furniture, household goods, small appliances, electronics, books, toys and more. The tagline for the store is "Where Every Good Deal is a Good Deed for Your Community."

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