



## **PENNIES FOR THE HOMELESS**

Did you know that it costs 1.3 cents to make a penny?

There is a large environmental cost to minting new coins.

Mainly the copper mining and refining that evolves huge amounts of power and water. According to Coinstar, whose big coin counting machines convert change into greenbacks or credit at supermarkets and drugstores.

This company estimates that in the U.S.: \$10 billion, or \$90 per household, is stashed in mason jars and under cushions. Cashing in just 10% of this amount, would translate into sizable environmental savings.

If 10% of dormant coins in the U.S. were re-circulated there would be a savings of:

**THE WATER EQUIVALENT TO 82 MILLION SHOWERS**

**THE ENERGY EQUIVALENT TO 4.1 MILLION 60-WATT BULBS**

**THE CO EMISSIONS EQUIVALENT TO 12,619 CARS REMOVED ANNUALLY FROM ROADS.**

### **THE GREEN TEAM**

is holding a Penny Drive to convert pennies into dollars and then will donate the dollars to KEYS for the Homeless Foundation, Inc.

Please look under your cushions and bring in those pennies.

A collection bin is located  
in the Heart of House  
across from Engineering.

**THANK YOU!**