



## Media Alert

### VERIZON WIRELESS AND DO THE RIGHT THING OF MIAMI TEAM UP FOR CELLPHONE RECYCLING DRIVE

*Community Members Encouraged to Donate Used Wireless Phones and Accessories to HopeLine® from Verizon at Various Collection Points Throughout the City*

**WHAT:** Verizon has teamed up with Do the Right Thing Miami (DTRT) and the City of Miami Police Department during October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to invite Miami residents to clean out their drawers and recycle used wireless phones and accessories, regardless of service provider, make, model or technology. HopeLine collection boxes will be placed in six locations across the city to make it easy for residents to participate.

In addition to the HopeLine drive, Verizon is supporting several DTRT initiatives over the next week to help raise awareness of domestic violence and violence prevention – including the “Back Without a Bang” school rally (September 30), where approximately 600 City of Miami students will take a pledge against violence; a domestic violence walk (October 3); and a vigil for victims of domestic violence (October 5).

HopeLine collects used wireless phones and accessories, regardless of service provider, make, model or technology, which are then refurbished or recycled. The refurbished phones are sold, and Verizon Wireless uses the proceeds to fund non-profit agencies and to purchase other wireless phones for victims of domestic violence in the Miami and South Florida areas.

**WHEN:** October 1 – 31, 2016

**WHERE:** HopeLine collections boxes will be placed in the following locations:

- **Miami Police Department** (central, south and north station lobbies)  
400 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
- **Miami City Hall**  
3500 Pan American Drive
- **Miami Riverside Center**  
444 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
- **Miami-Dade Public Defender’s Office**  
1320 NW 14<sup>th</sup> Street
- **Miami-Dade State Attorney’s Office**  
1350 NW 12th Ave
- **Subway**  
6265 NW 7 Avenue

*Donations can also be made at all company-owned Verizon Wireless retail locations.*

**WHY:** For more than a decade, Verizon Wireless has been committed to raising awareness of domestic



violence and working to prevent it. Since its national launch in 2001 the HopeLine® phone recycling and re-use program has collected more than 12 million phones. The phones collected were recycled in an environmentally friendly way, with the proceeds benefiting domestic violence victims. In 2015 HopeLine® awarded \$7 million in cash grants to non-profit organizations and agencies.

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