

## Four local dads join to open new laundromat in town



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On June 22, the Orangeville Laundromat celebrated their grand opening with Mayor Sandy Brown and Deputy Mayor Andy Macintosh presenting the owners with congratulations and well wishes on their new business venture.

Mark Kowalchuk, Nel Pereira, Jason Alessandrini and Radu Vaduva joined together to create a clean and cost-efficient laundromat to serve the community.

The four men joined together in the early months of 2019 to begin the work that needed to be done to establish their new business in the strip mall at 47 Broadway. Along their journey the four local fathers wanted to establish a way to give back to a variety of charities around Orangeville.

The Orangeville Laundromat will be donating to one local charity of their choice each month. This will begin in July as they start by giving back to the local charity Diamond Blackfan Anemia (DBA) Canada.

DBA is a rare genetic disease. Most patients suffer from severe chronic anemia due to bone marrow failure. Most patients present shortly after birth with pallor, weakness, and growth failure. Many patients also have other medical problems such as short stature, thumb anomalies, heart problems among others. Patients with DBA may also have slightly increased risk of developing cancer, says the website [DBACanada.com](http://DBACanada.com)

Orangeville Laundromat has 14 washing machines and 16 dryers in a variety of sizes for all needs. The laundromat is open from 6 a.m. until 12 midnight daily.

Orangeville Laundromat will also be offering alterations as well as a wash and fold service daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday with the option for pick-up or drop-off.