

WaterEquity Awarded "Investment Team of the Year" for 2021

WaterEquity, the first asset manager exclusively focused on access to water and sanitation, is recognized by Environmental Finance's IMPACT 2021 awards

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, UNITED STATES, September 7, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- WaterEquity was one of several prominent asset managers honored today by Environmental Finance's 2021 IMPACT



awards. WaterEquity has been recognized as <u>"Investment Team of the Year – Asset Manager"</u> for being the first asset manager to provide investors competitive returns by focusing exclusively on one of the most urgent issues of our time—the global water and sanitation crisis.



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John Moyer, CIO of WaterEquity "We are thrilled to be named Investment Team of the Year by Environmental Finance," said John Moyer, WaterEquity's Chief Investment Officer. "The COVID-19 crisis has been challenging, but it has underscored the importance of what we do—financing access to safe water and sanitation for all. The steady performance of our investments through the turmoil highlights the potential and the opportunity to achieve attractive returns while delivering profound social impact. We are excited to further scale up WaterEquity and reach millions of underserved families around the world."

WaterEquity stands apart from other impact-focused asset

managers due to its deep experience in both emerging markets and the water and sanitation sector. WaterEquity's Investment Management team is comprised of individuals with decades of banking and financial institution experience and an unparalleled understanding of the barriers emerging consumers face in gaining access to water and sanitation. This unique combination enables WaterEquity to identify investment opportunities with an attractive mix of financial

returns and positive, multifold social impact across many of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals—driving economic growth, supporting healthy communities and ecosystems, enhancing resilience to climate change, and promoting gender equality.

To date, WaterEquity's accomplishments include:

- •Accelerating safe water and sanitation access: 2.1 million people reached with access to safe water or sanitation.
- •Deploying capital: WaterEquity's funds have deployed more than \$100 million in capital towards solving the water and sanitation crisis across Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Mexico, and Peru in just five years.
- •Driving gender equality and economic opportunity: 98% of individuals directly supported by investments are women, and 100% of investments target people living in poverty.
- •Expanding financial inclusion: Funded nearly 430,000 microloans to low-income consumers to meet their water and sanitation needs.
- •A catalyst for the market: Accelerating private capital investments in the sector, both through WaterEquity's assets under management and by demonstrating that water and sanitation is a viable investment opportunity.

Environmental Finance's IMPACT awards seek to recognize and reward the work of impact investors and highlight emerging pockets of best practice, across all asset classes and all geographies. Each year they put together an independent panel of industry experts who are chosen for their knowledge, objectivity, and credibility to judge the award entries. One IMPACT awards judge praised the WaterEquity investment team for its "deep sector expertise" while another said the asset manager had been "successful in catalyzing other investment sources".

About WaterEquity

WaterEquity is an asset manager exclusively focused on solving one of the most urgent issues of our time—the global water and climate crisis. We invest in financial institutions and enterprises in emerging markets with the goals of delivering access to safe water and sanitation to low-income households while offering an attractive risk-return profile to investors.

Founded by award-winning entrepreneurs Gary White and Matt Damon of Water.org and led by Paul O'Connell, the success of WaterEquity is built on decades of experience investing in water and sanitation in emerging markets, delivering proven social and financial returns. Learn more at https://waterequity.org

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