



Amelia's
closet *a clothier of hope*



EXPANSION PROGRAM UNDERWAY

AMELIA'S CLOSET ACQUIRES ADDITIONAL BUILDING



SINCE 2015, we have helped remove employment barriers for economically and socially disadvantaged individuals and at-risk and marginalized populations, with the goal of ending poverty cycles and other results of hopelessness.

Amelia's Closet has helped prepare many by providing professional attire, tips for successful interviews, and makeovers. These clients were formerly unemployed, just released from jail, rehab or shelters, or otherwise disadvantaged for sustainable employment. Once an individual is hired, she is provided a week's professional wardrobe.

Amelia's Closet has also served as a job-training site for adult volunteers with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), providing the opportunity for these individuals to feel valued and learn job and life skills.

"This newest program," Powers said, "will provide paid internships for adults with IDD or other unemployment obstacles as they build their skills so they may acquire long-term sustainable employment in the community."

"Having a job gives purpose," Powers said. "Our goal is to become a sustainable force in which IDD individuals are assessed, trained, and gain experience to confidently obtain employment opportunities." Long-time collaborators Special Kids, Journeys in Community Living, and Possibility Place will continue to be integral partners in this new program, Powers said.

Amelia's Closet is located at Jackson Heights Plaza on NW Broad Street. This new program will be housed in the former Reox Automotive garage space, also at Jackson Heights Plaza shopping center. ■

THREE SIMPLE WAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

1 AMAZON SMILE
Place all Amazon Orders at
www.smile.amazon.com and
"Select" Amelia's Closet

2 KROGER CARES
Register Shopping Rewards at
www.krogercommunityrewards.com
and "Enroll" with Amelia's Closet

3 ONLINE
Website or Facebook
Donations safely at
www.ameliascloset.org

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**CLOTHING
DONATIONS
ACCEPTED
THIS MONTH:**

*Purses
Bras
Shoes
Petite Pants*

CLOTHING REMINDER:

Due to the generosity of our community, clothing donations will be limited to only our current monthly needs. We accept donations at our shop every Tuesday from 11:00 am till 1:00 pm. Thank you!

DONATION GUIDELINES:

We only accept like-new, current styles, clean and hanging business/business casual clothing, shoes and accessories; jeans, scrubs, and coats.
We do not accept: turtlenecks, wool clothing except coats, beachwear or nightwear.

"Strength & Honor are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come." Prov. 31:25

PROJECT DESIGNERS NEEDED

APPLICATIONS are being accepted for three designers to design and sponsor one facility restroom each!

Selected designers will be responsible for raising the necessary funds and completing the renovations for their designated space.

Applications can be accessed from the website: ameliascloset.org.



COVID-19 UPDATE

GOD BLESSED during the time of the shutdown. Donors continued to give and we continued to assist clients, but in a new way.

We had several clients in need of scrubs for their job changes. We were able to collect the sizes and color sets they needed and bagged them up for porch pick up.

We are now open to full capacity in assisting ladies in our community!



OUR CLIENTELE TO DATE:

AVG. AGE: **38** single: **90%**
married: **10%**

Personal Income: \$0-\$10K = **96%**

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY: **45%** AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE: **two**

Past Substance Abuse Issue:

36%

Domestic Abuse Victim=24%

COLLEGE DEGREE:

18%

SOME COLLEGE:

46%

Volunteer Spotlight: *Renovia*

AGAIN WE ARE BLESSED by Brent Hogue's offer for some Renovia employees to return and bring paint for our expansion program!

We appreciate their time and effort to make a huge impact as



we renovate the former Reox Automotive garage at Jackson Heights Plaza!

If you are also interested in volunteering, please contact Jody at 615-584-9029.



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CURRENT NEEDS:

- Additional Funding
- Skilled labor volunt.
- Designer volunt.
- Lowe's gift cards

FUNDRAISER EVENTS:

Please consider
Amelia's Closet
if your office, church, school, or club is seeking a 501(c)3 for which to raise funds in our community!



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