





The Closet is a nonprofit thrift shop in the heart of historic downtown Herndon, Virginia, founded in 1974 by a handful of faith communities to assist low-income families by selling used clothing at nominal prices.

The Closet of the Greater Herndon Area, Inc.





We continue to be a source of low-cost clothing and household necessities for families and individuals on a tight budget.



Over the years, our mission has expanded and we have become a significant resource for everyone in the greater Herndon area.



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Shoppers can:



- find high quality items to wear or use
- find equipment to try new hobbies, like playing musical instruments or biking
- redecorate their homes or find props for theater sets



Shoppers can:

- find craft materials to make hats and scarfs for other charities
- send items overseas
- have fun finding a good deal on a collectible item



Thrift shoppers are the ultimate recyclers!



The Closet estimates that it saves over 800,000 items from the Fairfax County landfill per year.



The Closet is able to operate so efficiently because of the dedicated staff, some of whom have worked at The Closet over 25 years, volunteers, and Board of Directors.

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The Closet Also Benefits the Local Community



The Closet Benefits the Local Community through The Voucher Program

Authorized organizations can give clients vouchers up to twice a year - for spring/summer and fall/winter items. The Closet then allows the clients to “buy” clothing, shoes, and household necessities with these vouchers.



For the 2018-2019 fall/winter season, more than 1600 individuals received assistance worth over \$50,800. Of these individuals, 674 were children under 18.

The Closet also provides bakery items donated by local grocery stores to everyone at The Closet free of charge.



The Closet appreciates these stores and the volunteers who bring these items to The Closet.

**The Closet Benefits
the Local Community
through
Donations to Area Non-profits and
Scholarships to Local High School Students**

Since our founding in 1974, The Closet has used our profits to give more than \$3.0 million in cash grants to nonprofit community groups and programs in the Herndon-Reston-Sterling area and scholarships at five area high schools. In 2018, over \$110,000 was given out.

The Closet

of the Greater Herndon Area, Inc.

is proud to announce the recipients of its 2018 Grants.
We were pleased to support these organizations with over \$88,000.



In 2018, The Closet also helped needy families referred by local social service agencies by providing more than \$90,000 worth of clothing and shoes, and household necessities to them at no cost to them.



Scholarships to students
from our local schools

The Closet of Greater Herndon

is proud to announce the recipients of its
2018 Scholarship Awards

We celebrate the achievements of these graduating high school students and are pleased to be part of their educational journey.

Herndon High School

Hezha Faris Barzani

Virginia Commonwealth University

Jennifer Dayana Choque-Cruz

Northern Virginia Community College

Isaiah Leigh Johnso

Virginia Tech

Minnie Suki Nguyen

University of Virginia

Ava Catherine Procopia

University of Virginia

Mountain View High School

Brayan Geronimo Perez Brito

Shenandoah University

Jose Cantarero Ramos

Northern Virginia Community College

Duc My Tran

Virginia Commonwealth University

Oakton High School

Matthew Chen

University of California, Los Angeles

Anais Tshialemba Malangu

University of Mary Washington

Naomi Michel Nero

University of Chicago

Park View High School

Rubby Alondra Bonilla,

Virginia Commonwealth University

Carlitos Martin Watley-Villanueva

Virginia Commonwealth University

Srey End Hai

Virginia Commonwealth University

David Alejandro Zinter

Radford University

Lisbeth Yamileth Ramirez Zelaya

Northern Virginia Community College

South Lakes High School

Ammar Faroun

Northern Virginia Community College

Nelson Andres Moreno

Liberty University

The Closet has awarded, since 1974, a total of nearly \$500,000 in college scholarships to over 400 graduating high school seniors from the five area schools listed above

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Nearly \$500,000 has been awarded to more than 400 students since the program began.

Some recipients are the first in their family to attend college.

These are the Scholarships recipients for 2018



The Closet Benefits the Larger Community

The Closet's Truck Ministry takes our 16-foot box truck, filled to the brim with donated items not needed in the Herndon store, on a weekly run to the Shenandoah Valley, where these donated items are distributed free of charge.

**Want to
Know How
Can You
Help?**

Donations!!!
Without donations
we can't operate!

Donations are accepted 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Monday-Saturday

Please see our website for what items we accept
www.theclosetofgreaterherndon.org



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Shop

Without shoppers, we don't have profits to make cash donations!
Store hours: 10-8 Mon and Thurs
10-5 Tues, Wed, Fri, and Sat



The Closet sells a wide variety of items including men's, women's, and children's clothing and shoes

Clothing, Jewelry and Handbags





- Kitchenware
- Dishes
- Housewares

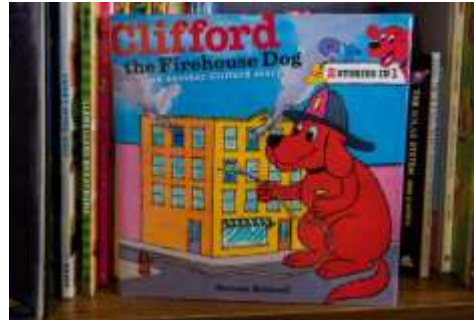


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Books



Movies and Music



Decorative items such as art and lamps



Crafts, Linens, Collectibles, Toys, Pet Supplies, and Electronics



Volunteer

Working beside 15-20 paid employees, about 500 volunteers provided about 22,000 hours of service in 2018. We couldn't operate without them!

Many of our volunteers are from one of our 22 member congregations in the Herndon, Reston, Sterling and Oakton area.

Beacon Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Herndon
Community of All People United Church of Christ, Reston
Congregation Beth Emeth, Herndon
Dranesville Church of the Brethren, Herndon
Dranesville United Methodist Church, Herndon
First Baptist Church of Herndon
Floris United Methodist Church, Herndon
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Reston
Herndon United Methodist Church
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Herndon
Martin Luther King , Jr. Christian Church, Reston
St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Reston
St. John Neumann Catholic Community, Reston
St. Joseph Catholic Parish, Herndon
St. Thomas à Becket Catholic Church, Reston
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Herndon
Shoreshim Jewish Community, Reston
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Herndon
Unitarian Universalist Church in Reston
United Christian Parish, Reston
Vale United Methodist Church, Oakton
Washington Plaza Baptist Church, Reston



Just a few of our congregational and community volunteers

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The Herndon Women's Club volunteers monthly. In addition, we have local high school students, scout troops and youth groups earning required community service hours.





**Become a
Volunteer**

**Make a
Difference!!!**



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I think I want
to volunteer,
but I have
questions.



What Would I Do as a Volunteer?



You might

- Bag the customer's purchases
- Monitor the dressing room
- Help customers look at jewelry, cameras, and cosmetics
- Answer customers' questions
- Put new merchandise on the sales floor
- Put price tags on items
- Put priced clothing on hangers
- Help donors with their donations
- Sort donations
- Work on special projects if you have special skills or abilities



When and How Often Do I Volunteer?



The Closet can use volunteers 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon. - Sat.
And 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Mon and Thurs

How often you volunteer is up to you.

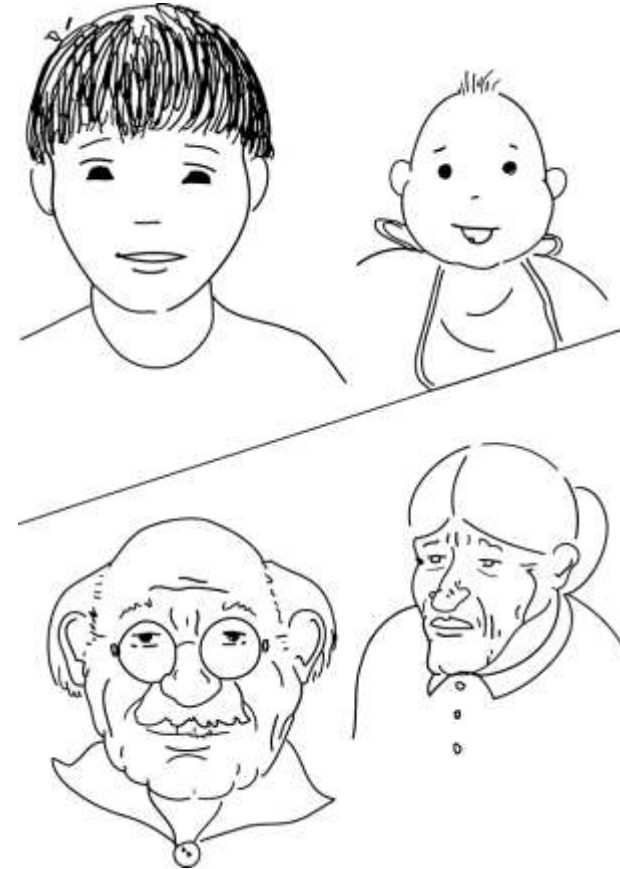
If you volunteer only on your congregation's assigned days, that might be once or twice a month.

Some volunteers really enjoy The Closet and come in for a couple of hours every day.

Some can only volunteer on a specific day, like Saturday.

Are There Age Requirements for Volunteers?

You must be at least a rising 7th grade student to volunteer without parental supervision. A parent or guardian must sign a waiver form.



I'm ready to help. How do I sign up?

Talk to your congregation's representative if you are a member of one of the congregations listed below.

Beacon Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Herndon
Community of All People United Church of Christ, Reston
Congregation Beth Emeth, Herndon
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Or Contact The Closet Telephone: (703) 437-7652 E-mail: TheClosetInc@verizon.net

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A group of us want to volunteer. What do we do?
(Congregation, Business, or Community Group)



Please contact The Closet to discuss the options.

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THANK YOU

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