

COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE'S CLOTHING DRIVE A HUGE SUCCESS!

MAY 19, 2017, KING OF PRUSSIA, PA -- On a recent spring evening, a large black sport utility vehicle left the parking lot of the Crowne Plaza Hotel in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. The vehicle was filled from top to bottom and front to back with men's and women's career wear. Its destination was the Career Wardrobe's main office in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The purpose of this trip? The answer is simple. The Doris Jonas Freed Inn of Court was putting their final touch on a community outreach program.

As members of this particular Inn know all too well, our clients and members of the community in general can sometimes use a helping hand in getting back into, or taking their first steps towards joining the work force. Sometimes a new outfit can provide a boost in self-confidence that individuals need to help them reach their goals.

Career Wardrobe describes itself as "a nonprofit social enterprise that uses clothing and professional development to empower unemployed individuals to work." One of the primary goals of Career Wardrobe is to provide men and women with professional clothing so that they can have that perfect interview suit, or appropriate work attire for a new job, or simply to furnish them with clothing to maintain their current employment. The Career Wardrobe has been very successful in achieving their goal. According to the Career Wardrobe, 67% of their clients have gained employment and have been able to discontinue receiving cash assistance.

The Community Outreach Committee of the Doris Jonas Freed Inn of Court is proud to have made a significant contribution to this worthwhile program and is committed to identifying ways that the Inn members can improve the lives of the people in our community and organizing events to meet these goals.

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