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Dear Friends,

It's time again for the Dutchess Outreach Susan DeKeukelaere Memorial Coat Drive and Giveaway.

This year, more than ever, we need your help! Our long time Coat Drive partner, Guardian Storage, has been sold leaving a large gap in our coat collection network. **Would you be willing to help us fill the gap by serving as a PUBLIC coat drop-off location or by hosting your own private coat drive from October 1st - October 31st?** Enclosed are our Coat Drive Guidelines along with samples of informational fliers you can use to promote your own coat collection. Contact us at one of the phone numbers or email addresses at the bottom of this letter and we'll be happy to help you get started.

We also need additional help moving coats from the collection sites to storage locations as Guardian used to handle much of that work. If you can lend a hand, please let us know.

We will be kicking off the Coat Drive with iHeartMedia at the BOO!92.1 Fall Fest & Coat Drive on September 29th from 12:00 noon until 2:00 PM at the Poughkeepsie Plaza. Stop by to donate a coat and maybe win a prize!

The following businesses have generously volunteered to serve as coat drop-off/collection locations: Prime Storage (multiple locations), iHeart Media (20 Tucker Drive), Chase Bank (285 Main St., Poughkeepsie), Millbrook Library, Pleasant Valley Library, Raymour & Flanigan (Outlet/Showroom - Vassar Road, Poughkeepsie), East Fishkill Town Hall, all Rhinebeck Bank, all Red Cap Cleaners, and all TEG Federal Credit Union branches. A detailed list with addresses is included in this packet. Please share this information with anyone who might have a coat to spare.

The Coat Sort will be on Saturday, November 9, 2024 at Our Lady of Lourdes High School between 9 AM and 5 PM. If you'd like to participate, please visit our website and register to volunteer.

All coats collected will be distributed at giveaway locations throughout the county and to a wide variety of local organizations. Information about Coat Giveaways starting in November will be available soon at www.dutchessoutreach.org.

We appreciate your help in keeping our neighbors warm this winter!

Robin Tanenbaum, Volunteer Coat Drive Manager
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2024 Coat Drive and Giveaway

Guidelines

- The dates of the Dutchess Outreach **Susan DeKeukelaere Memorial Coat Collection** are **October 1st - October 31st**. If you need a collection box or assistance transporting coats to a drop-off location please email or call Robin Tanenbaum (914) 848-1042, sdmcoatdrive@dutchessoutreach.org. We have volunteers available to pick up donated coats as needed.
- All coats should be **clean and in good condition**. Please do not send any coats that cannot be worn due to poor condition.
- We are collecting **winter coats and jackets** - children's and adult's sizes. **We especially appreciate boys jackets and adult plus sizes**. Please do not donate clothes or lightweight jackets. We do not have the capacity to deal with these items.
- If possible, please sort and bag coats by type: boys, girls, women, and men. It would be **very helpful** if clear bags are used and if the bags are labeled as well (i.e. 5 boys, 5 girls, etc.).
- Please **drop off coats at one of the many local businesses participating in the collection, no later than October 31st**. These include multiple Prime Storage locations, all Rhinebeck Bank and TEG Federal Credit Union branches, all Red Cap Cleaners locations, Raymour & Flanigan (both the Showroom and Outlet), Chase Bank (285 Main St., Poughkeepsie), iHeart Media (20 Tucker Drive), Millbrook Library, Pleasant Valley Library, and East Fishkill Town Hall. Enclosed is a listing of drop-off locations. Check our website: www.dutchessoutreach.org for additional drop-off locations and special events. You may also call Nyhisha Gibbs at Dutchess Outreach (845) 454-3792 or Robin Tanenbaum (914) 848-1042 to make other arrangements.
- Volunteers are needed to help move, sort, and organize coats for all the giveaway locations. If you are interested in volunteering at our Sort, please visit our website, www.dutchessoutreach.org, click "Volunteer", then "Become A Volunteer" to register for the opportunity. If you are interested in volunteering to transport coats, call Robin Tanenbaum (914) 848-1042 or Nyhisha T. Gibbs at Dutchess Outreach (845) 454-3792, to inquire about whether or not there is an opportunity..
- All coats will be distributed November thru January at giveaway locations throughout Dutchess County. For coat giveaway dates and information check the website: www.dutchessoutreach.org or call the Dutchess Outreach office at (845)454-3792.
- Local organizations, schools, agencies and/or religious institutions may also submit a coat order form identifying specific sizes needed by your clients, students or constituents. The order form will be available shortly. Contact Nyhisha to obtain one.

Thank you for helping us help our neighbors



Susan DeKeukelaere Memorial Coat Drive

Each year Dutchess Outreach distributes thousands of warm coats to our neighbors in need throughout Dutchess County

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Coat Collection Dates: October 1 – 31, 2024

Please drop off new or gently used coats at one of these locations:

Chase Bank (285 Main St, Poughkeepsie)
East Fishkill Town Hall
iHeartMedia (20 Tucker Drive)
Millbrook Library
Pleasant Valley Library
Prime Storage (multiple locations)
Raymour and Flanigan Showroom or Outlet
Red Cap Cleaners (all locations)
Rhinebeck Bank (all branches)
TEG Federal Credit Union (all branches)

Visit the Dutchess Outreach website: www.dutchessoutreach.org for more information

For more information please contact:

Nyhisha T. Gibbs, Dutchess Outreach Director of Community Engagement
(845) 454-3792 or email sdmcoatdrive@dutchessoutreach.org

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Together we can make a difference



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GOT COATS?

We're collecting until
October 31

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2024 Susan DeKeukelaere Memorial Coat Drive



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Help keep someone warm this winter

Wanted: Warm Coats

(Clean, good condition) for

Adults, Children

Special need for children's coats & adult plus sizes

Drop off Coats

October 1 – October 31

At:

Chase Bank (Main St. Poughkeepsie branch)

East Fishkill Town Hall

iHeart Media (20 Tucker Drive)

Millbrook Library

Pleasant Valley Library

Prime Storage (multiple locations)

Raymour and Flanigan Showroom or Outlet

Red Cap Cleaners (all locations)

Rhinebeck Bank (all branches)

TEG Federal Credit Union (all branches)

Coat Drive Drop Off Locations

October 1st – 31st

<p>Chase Bank: Poughkeepsie 285 Main Street (845) 486-8325</p> <p>East Fishkill Town Hall: Hopewell Junction 330 Route 376 (845) 221-9191</p> <p>iHeart Media: Poughkeepsie 20 Tucker Drive (845) 471-2300</p> <p>Millbrook Library: Millbrook 3 Friendly Lane (845) 677-3611</p> <p>Pleasant Valley Library: Pleasant Valley 1584 Main Street (845) 635-8460</p> <p>Raymour & Flanigan: Showroom: Poughkeepsie 756 Vassar Rd (845) 296-1111</p> <p>Outlet: Poughkeepsie 757 Vassar Rd. (845) 298-3203</p>	<p>Red Cap Cleaners: Hyde Park 4214 Albany Post Road (845) 229-5833</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 722 Main St (845) 471-1360</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 17 Marist Drive (845) 485-6443</p> <p>Poughkeepsie (Red Oaks Mill) 30 Vassar Road, #10 (845) 462-6669</p> <p>Rhinebeck Bank: (845) 454-8555 (for all branches)</p> <p>Fishkill 1022 Main Street</p> <p>Goshen 252 Main Street</p> <p>Hopewell Junction 2523 Route 52</p> <p>Hyde Park 1075 Violet Avenue Route 9G</p>	<p>Rhinebeck Bank (cont.): Kingston 27 Main Street</p> <p>Middletown 357 East Main Street</p> <p>Newburgh 456 Broadway</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 708 Dutchess Turnpike Route 44</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 1898 South Road Route 9 South</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 3432 North Road</p> <p>Red Hook 7350 South Broadway Route 9</p> <p>Rhinebeck 6414 Montgomery Street Route 9</p> <p>Warwick 62 Main Street, Suite 1</p>
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Coat Drive Drop Off Locations Continued

<p>TEG Federal Credit Union (845) 452-7323 (for all branches)</p> <p>Beekman Town Plaza 2540 Route 55 Poughquag</p> <p>Hyde Park 4282 Albany Post Road</p> <p>Newburgh 16 North Plank Road</p> <p>Middletown 140 Crystal Run Road</p> <p>Poughkeepsie College Center 11 Marist Drive</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 1 Commerce Street</p>	<p>TEG Federal Credit Union (cont.)</p> <p>Wappingers Falls 1145 Route 9</p> <p>Wappingers Falls Nesheiwat Square 900 Route 376</p>	<p>Prime Storage</p> <p>Hyde Park 3914 Route 9</p> <p>Pleasant Valley 5 Mill Lane, Rt 44</p> <p>Poughkeepsie 3 Neptune Rd</p> <p>Wappingers Falls 1634 Route 9</p> <p>Wappingers Falls (near Taconic) 929 Route 376</p> <p>Fishkill 1078 Route 9</p> <p>Beacon 629 Route 52</p> <p>Highland 50 N. Roberts Rd</p> <p>Highland 2902 Route 9W</p>
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