



PRESS RELEASE

The Men's Wearhouse Partners with Catholic Charities for the 7th year

MEN'S WEARHOUSE LAUNCHES 10TH ANNUAL NATIONAL SUIT DRIVE

Catholic Charities of Corpus Christi, Inc. and Men's Wearhouse Encourage the City of Corpus Christi and Surrounding area Residents to Donate Gently Used Professional Attire to Benefit Unemployed Americans in Need

Catholic Charities of Corpus Christi, Inc. located at 615 Oliver Ct. is a non-profit, faith based organization established in 1965 to provide services to people in need, and to create positive life changing opportunities. We are partnering with Men's Wearhouse to launch its 10th annual National Suit Drive, a month-long initiative that collects gently-used professional clothing for Americans transitioning back into the workforce. Throughout the month of July donations collected at Men's Wearhouse stores will be distributed to ***Catholic Charities of Corpus Christi, Inc.*** and over 170 local non-profit organizations across the country that help disadvantaged individuals regain employment through job readiness programs and workforce assistance. Over the past nine years, the National Suit Drive has collected more than 1.3 million items of professional clothing.

Catholic Charities-Family Self-sufficiency *job readiness* program is a proud partner with the Men's Warehouse. Our program and clients have benefited from 6 years of successful partnership with the Men's Wearhouse and the unconditional support of our caring community. "We are thrilled to continue our partnership with Men's Wearhouse to help unemployed men and women regain employment and pursue their dreams," said Yiyi Dean, Grant Writer/Administrator for Catholic Charities, joined by co-workers, Amanda Lazo and Gessete Salcido. "Our focus is providing the tools and assistance to help our clients get back on their feet. Through the National Suit Drive, our clients are able to suit up for success and feel empowered to secure their next job."

Starting July 1, residents of the City of Corpus Christi, and surrounding areas can donate their gently-used professional clothing, including men's and women's suits, ties, jackets, shirts, pants, belts and shoes at **5425 S. Padre Island Dr. Ste. 150 Corpus Christi, TX 78411**. As a thank you, donors will receive 50 percent off their next purchase of regular priced retail items (excluding shoes, clearance and Exceptional Value items).

Last year, Catholic Charities was able to help dozens of men in the Corpus Christi and surrounding areas receive a chance to get back to work. In addition, High school and College graduates were able to own a suit for the first time.

"In a job interview, confidence can be the deciding factor that helps land you the job," said Doug Ewert, CEO of Tailored Brands, Inc. "Putting on a suit gives you that confidence to make a great first impression, and the National Suit Drive provides men the opportunity to look and feel their best as they take the next step in their career. In our tenth year, we're hopeful to collect more donations than ever before."

#GIVEASUIT AND GET SOCIAL

To help drive awareness of the National Suit Drive, @menswearhouse is encouraging followers to spread the word by using #GiveASuit. They will be partnering with content creators across the country to share personal donation stories and inspire others to help those in need.

For more information, visit Catholic Charities website at <https://catholiccharities-cc.org> or the National Suit Drive website at www.nationalsuitdrive.com.