

The Need to Share Our Blessings with Others

Clothing Drive for People in Haiti

Is your closet looking unusually full or messy? Is it ready for a good cleaning? Well, here's your solution to this predicament! There's a clothing drive going on for people in Haiti. Since we are so blessed, and there are many in Haiti struggling to find something to wear, we should give of our numerous blessings to those in need! The appreciation they have for this gift would put a smile on anyone's face. I'm sure you won't notice if you have one less t-shirt or one less sweatshirt than normal. Even if you only have five items to give, that's not a problem! Every little bit counts, and every piece of clothing is appreciated. Greater still, if you can only find one item to give, please give it! It is far better than giving nothing! It would be a privilege to see the community work together to help those in need. If you feel called to donate to this effort please drop off any items at your local *Marshalls* as they are the ones running this show.

Book Drive for the *SunnySide Library*

Creeeeek! Creeeeek! BOOM! The sound of crashing comes from across the street as Makenna huddles in her bathtub riding out the ferocious hurricane. After *Hurricane Novia* had subsided, Makenna emerged to check out the damage and see if anyone needed help. As she went outside, she discovered that the *Sunnyside Library* was in ruins. Thankfully, nobody had been in the library, so there was no one hurt! The hurricane had also only reached a category one, so it could have been a lot worse. Makenna was just grateful to be alive. However, she did feel terrible for poor old Mr. Stevens. He had poured out his whole life into this library, and now all of his hard work had come crashing down in the space of a few hours. Makenna was glad to discover that Mr. Stevens had kept up to date on his insurance payments. That would at least get him enough to rebuild the library and purchase some new books. Since Makenna knew he wouldn't be able to get all of the books that he wanted, she decided to start a book drive. Immediately, Makenna got on her laptop and posted the news about the book drive on all of her social media accounts. We're here to help her spread this news, so if there are any books that you feel compelled to share with this man in need please donate them to your local library, which will take care of sending them to Mr. Stevens. He will be so happy to know that there are so many people out there caring for him!

Wrapping Everything Up

We need to listen to Jesus, Who declares in Acts 20:35c “ It is more blessed to give than to receive. ” It is a well established truth that those who give often experience so much unexpected joy because they stop thinking about themselves for once. When we have so much, it is such a blessing to be able to give to those who do not have so much. Please show some love to others by giving some of your old books or clothes. I'm sure that you have at least one item to donate! You will receive so much joy from doing this for others, and they will appreciate and enjoy what you have to offer far more than you could ever appreciate or enjoy it.