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**CLOTHING OUR KIDS (COK) UPDATE – HIGH SCHOOLS REQUIRE HELP TOO!
DRESSING KIDS FOR SUCCESS MEANS SO MANY THINGS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED.**

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Over the past few months COK has been working with one local High School to begin to understand the challenges their students face. Our goal is to expand into all Sussex County High Schools over the next few years which brings with it the necessity for more Volunteers, increased funding and building a new roadmap for both the different and similar support needed from COK. A current example of how one High Schooler required our help:

- A senior who wants to attend his prom but has no suit. The Homeless Liaison called COK for help. One of our Volunteers/Shoppers worked with them to quickly find the right suit, and he will be attending in style. He will also be able to wear the suit to dress for success with other opportunities he will face down the road including interviews and special events. This is an example of how COK Volunteers are always ready to jump into action when the schools contact us.

There have been many more examples this year of ways your donations to COK have made a difference. This also means that donations are more important than ever as we continue to support our current programs and expand into High Schools. Poverty is not going away in Sussex County – sadly, it is growing.

Examples of how you can help:

\$300 - Provides 5 new school outfits, shoes, underwear, socks, a sweatshirt, pajamas, and a seasonal jacket

\$150 - Provides 1 new school outfit, shoes, underwear, socks, pajamas, and a sweatshirt

\$75 - Provides 1 new school outfit

\$40 - Provides 1 pair of shoes or 1 seasonal jacket

Other needs:

- Put on your own fundraising event to help gather clothes or \$; we can help from start to finish.
- Volunteer on one of our Committees - we love what we do.
- Support our annual fundraising Charity Golf Outing scheduled Monday October 12.

For additional information on Clothing Our Kids, to make a donation, or learn more about our annual Golf Outing, please go to www.clothingourkids.org. Kindly pass on the good work of COK by sharing this Update and liking out Social Media posts with your family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues.

As Founder Mary Rio says, “Its not just about new clothes, it’s about a new life.”

