



THRIFT STORE TIMES

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Spring 2005

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

CROSSROADS THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BBQ Potluck

JUNE 2nd

6:30 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church
200 South 200 East (S.E. Corner)**

**Come For An Evening Of Celebration
&
Great Food.**

WHAT WE DO . . .

Since 1966 Crossroads Urban Center has worked to meet people's basic needs and to address the root causes of poverty through direct service and advocacy.

The Crossroads Thrift Store is a grassroots, non-profit, community based program run primarily by volunteers. Our mission is to provide clothing and other basic necessities to those in need.

We work with several partnering community and religious groups that issue referrals for Utahns with limited means. About 92% of our goods are given away free, while the remaining items are sold at a very low cost.



Youth volunteers sorting clothes & having fun.

RENOVATION UPDATE

With our new addition complete and the play room and bathroom updated, we are entering the next phase of our renovation plan.

Crossroads Thrift Store will soon be transformed by a new rack system that was donated by Four Square Property Management. Special thanks to Pat Lamping, Randy Christensen, Don Nichols, and Paul Allison for helping to break down and load the racks.

A big thank you to Dick Williams for making the new cage for our tool room, David Jabusch for all his after hour projects, and to the many volunteers (especially Angel Morales) who have seen us through our remodeling efforts so far.

Keep watching for more exciting changes.

KC'S KORNER

Wow!!!!!!! What a year last year was! In October 2004 alone we broke all records. In that one month we served 778 families totaling 2,576 people. If those coming in that month looking for assistance had received everything that they were allowed to receive, we would have given away 7,728 of each of the following: pants, shirts, coats, shoes, underwear, and socks. Needless to say, we were not able to meet all of their needs.

However, because of each of you we do make a big difference in the lives of the people we serve. Is it complete? No . . . but because of you it is a start. I want each of you to hear me say big THANKS!

Sometimes when we get really busy it gets hard for us to say more than a passing quick thank you as we hand you a receipt for your donation, but I really wish you to know how special we consider each of those donations. It makes our job so much easier when we have things to give.

To all of the groups and individuals who spend countless hours sorting, cleaning and whatever else needs to be done - HUGE KUDOS!

When you get a chance, stop by and see all of the new improvements happening over here. If we are able, we will be glad to show you around. If we aren't, just let us know and go wander and see for yourself. There are some exciting things happening here!

May each of you be blessed for caring enough to make a difference in other people's lives.

-KC Owens, Thrift Store Manager



A few of the outstanding volunteers who stepped in & helped out this past April when BOTH K.C. & Janice (asst. manger) experienced health & family emergencies.

Crossroads EBAY Team a Success

Thanks to the Crossroads EBAY Team (Marcia & Dan Brissenden and Matt Rainson) who skillfully launched the pilot program, we will be auctioning off collectibles, Native American jewelry, and other treasures on EBAY three times a year to help support our mission. To date, we have auctioned off over fifteen items.

If you would like to join in the fun by following our auctions or bidding on our items, just let us know & we will notify you when we post our next items on EBAY.

Contact: Jana #364-7765 ex. 127 or
jana@crossroads-u-c.org

NEED MOTIVATION FOR SPRING CLEANING?

We REALLY need the following items:

- ▶ Spring & Summer Clothes & Shoes
(particularly kid's, men's & larger women's)
- ▶ Socks & Underwear ▶ Pots & Pans
- ▶ Dishes & Silverware ▶ Towels



To donate anything, just stop by during our business hours:

Tues-Fri 10 am-6:30 pm Sat 10 am-5 pm

Please no furniture, paints, large appliances or car parts.

Wanted

Volunteer Drivers with trucks, station wagons or SUVs willing to join the **Crossroads Ready Response Team** & pick-up occasional corporate donations (i.e., clothes from CURVES for Women clothing drives or boxes of pots & pans from Snowbird Lodge) 1-2 times a year.

Interested? Call Jana #364-7765

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• **LOOKING FOR A PROGRAM OR**
• **PROJECT FOR YOUR GROUP OR**
• **ORGANIZATION?**
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• **Call Linda #364-7765 ex. 133**
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