

# Children's Clothing Center of Delaware County, Inc.

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## PURPOSE

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To serve the clothing needs of children in Muncie and Delaware County schools by providing a transfer of donated new and used clothing from businesses and individuals to families referred to the clothing center at no cost.

The *Children's Clothing Center* is a free source of clothing for school children in need. This program impacts positive change to the education of children in our community.

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## MISSION STATEMENT

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Our mission is to provide suitable clothing for school age children in need in Delaware County through donations of used clothing and purchasing of new underwear and clothing with monetary donations.

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## THE NEED

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Many experts in the field of education agree that when a child attends school without the fundamental necessities that child is already one step behind his peers.

Studies show that students with self esteem have a better chance of succeeding.

Many parents in our community cannot afford basic needs for their children. For whatever reason, they are forced to make the choice between clothing, food, rent, utilities and school supplies.

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## WHO WE SERVE

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The *Children's Clothing Center of Delaware County* serves the neediest students in the Muncie and Delaware County Schools.

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## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST

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The *Children's Clothing Center of Delaware County* provides clothing for FREE. There is no cost to families that are referred to shop at the clothing center.

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## WHO QUALIFIES?

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Children and families are referred by school principals, school nurses, Center Township Trustee, A Better Way, Christian Miniseries, Head Start, and YWCA

# **BENEFITS TO OUR COMMUNITY**

- ♥ Students in need receive basic clothing from community generosity.
- ♥ Businesses recycle good clothing for children and receive tax benefits.
- ♥ Children miss fewer days of school when they have warm clothing in the winter.
- ♥ Children have better self esteem when they can dress the same as their peers.