

## INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

Each new clothing client at Christ House is interviewed and provided with information about all available Catholic Charities services such as car ministry, employment assistance, counselling, senior services, transitional housing, etc. Clients are also referred to other community resources for needs such as: social services, housing, legal, medical, etc.



## OUR CLIENTELE WHO RECEIVE FREE CLOTHING

87% of families served are below the federal poverty level (\$24,000 per year).

- The majority live in the 22305 -14 Zip Codes in Alexandria.
- The majority of these families are 1 to 3 person households (56%) headed by a female (65%).
- Almost 28% have no earned income, and about 17% have no income at all.

## EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Emergency assistance is available at Christ House to help those experiencing a financial crisis. Assistance with rent helps prevent homelessness and assistance with bill payments prevents the cut-off of essential utilities.

Assistance is provided on:

- First-come first-serve basis
- By appointment only to those meeting Catholic Charities eligibility guidelines
- With a referral, assistance with prescription costs may be available
- Clothing vouchers are available to those in need of clothing and can be redeemed at the thrift shop

The geographic boundaries served include:

- Cities of Alexandria, Falls Church and Fredericksburg
- Arlington County
- Fairfax County ( Except Herndon, Reston)
- Orange County
- Spotsylvania County
- Stafford County
- Northern Neck: King George, Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond & Westmoreland Counties

### Emergency Assistance & Thrift Store Staff

Sherri Longhill, Program Director  
Ruth M. Guillen, Sr. Case Coordinator  
Sherry Masters-Rodgers, Retail Store Manager  
Sr. Aniliza Juan, Volunteer Coordinator  
Ana Gutierrez, Thrift Shop Associate



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**  
Diocese of Arlington

## CHRIST HOUSE THRIFT SHOP

125 S. West Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
703-548-4881



**Hours of Operation:**  
Monday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Tuesday through Saturday  
10:00 am–4:00 pm (Closed Sunday)

## DONATIONS WELCOME !



Donating to our store supports our mission to help people in need within the community and throughout the 21 counties in the Arlington Diocese. We accept:

- ◆ Antiques, collectibles, jewelry & artwork
- ◆ Small furniture (accent tables)
- ◆ Gently used clothing, accessories, handbags, shoes (all seasons)
- ◆ Household items & knick-knacks

\*We cannot accept computer equipment, baby furniture, books, toys and stuffed animals. Receipts are provided.



We need volunteers to assist with the daily operations of the store.: sorting, pricing, merchandise display, etc. For more information please go to our website [www.cdda.net](http://www.cdda.net) and click on "Volunteer". Or contact the Program Director, Sherri Longhill, at 703-443-2481 or email: [slonghill@cdda.net](mailto:slonghill@cdda.net).

## THRIFT STORE ACTIVITIES In Fiscal Year 2017

- Conducted 6,078 sales transactions
- Assisted 1,105 needy individuals with free clothing vouchers
- Generated over \$80,000 in revenue for the emergency assistance program



## PARKING & DIRECTIONS TO OUR STORE

Christ House Thrift Shop is located in the building next to the Christ House Food Pantry. Street parking is available: 1-3 hour free spots and pay parking up to 3 hours maximum.

Public transportation is available (refer to bus schedules).



## BECOME A BUSINESS SPONSOR

You can donate any general inventory or products that you are unsure what to do with. Your contributions are tax deductible.



We are thankful for the many generous local business donations from supporters such as hotels, stores that are closing, downsizing, moving or renovating. Do call us at 703-548-4881 concerning a large lot donation or if you have any questions. Monetary donations are also accepted and appreciated at any time.

## CONSIDER THAT WHILE YOU SHOP – OR DONATE

YOU ARE ALSO HELPING THOSE IN NEED. EVERY PURCHASE MADE IN OUR STORE HELPS US ASSIST PEOPLE IN NEED EVERY SINGLE DAY!

