

Salvation Army plans back-to-school clothing giveaway at Clarksville thrift store

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Parents in Scott, Clark, Floyd and Washington counties will get a little bit of extra help from the Salvation Army, which is planning a clothing giveaway at its Clarksville thrift store on Wednesday and Thursday, August 1 and 2.

Hours for the giveaway on both days are from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Salvation Army Thrift Store is located at 528 Little League Boulevard, Clarksville. Crawford and Harrison county residents are asked to go to the Salvation Army Thrift Store at 101 West Highway 62 in Corydon on August 1 and 2 during the same hours to take advantage of a giveaway there.

In its 22nd year, the giveaway is a program conducted by the local Corps of the Salvation Army to help parents overcome the high cost of sending children back to school.

Any child or adult enrolled in school and residing in the participating counties is eligible to participate in the clothing giveaways. They may receive eight articles of clothing without cost. Participants need to bring certification of school enrollment or birth certificate and a proof of address.

Last year, 1,015 students were helped with clothing from the Salvation Army program.

Persons who would like to donate merchandise have three sites from which to select. Thrift stores are operated at 2002 Grant Line Road in New Albany; 528 Little League Blvd., Clarksville; and 101 West Highway 62, Corydon.

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Thrift stores operated by the Salvation Army are supported totally from donations of merchandise from the community. Donated merchandise is sold during normal store hours, and proceeds are used to support the Army's community service.

In addition to selling merchandise, the Salvation Army uses their thrift stores as sources for supplying clothing and household goods without cost to families in need.