

Keep Loup Basin Beautiful - Clothing Closet



Blaine, Boyd, Cherry, Custer, Garfield, Greeley, Holt, Howard, Loup, Rock, Sherman, Valley and Wheeler Counties in Nebraska.

Clothing Closet in Burwell Impacts the World !!



Shealynn Rasmussen, Youth Spokesperson for Keep Loup Basin Beautiful—models some of the clothing that she helped sort and put out on display racks.



Open the last Friday of the month 3 - 5:30 p.m.

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The Clothing Closet served 555 people in 2016. Seven thousand pounds of clothing was donated, nine counties were served, and adult and youth volunteers gave of their time 112 times.

Clothing that is not used, is donated to the Burwell Assembly of God Youth Ministries project “Toss Box”. Pastor, Dave Busch and his family pick up the unused clothing and transport it to Grand Island where it is collected by the semi-load and delivered to the People’s City Mission recycling center in Lincoln and it is separated into three categories. The best clothes and shoes are made available to the homeless, the next cut goes to third world countries and the least usable go to industrial firms where they are processed into other products. The products going to the industrial markets are sold with the funds going to the church’s mission projects. Each semi trailer load usually brings in about \$3,000.00.

At the People’s City Mission in Lincoln, it is baled into 1,000 lb. bales and transported by the semi-load to Texas, Florida, and Canada. From there, the clothing travels to Guatemala, Nicaragua, and Africa. The clothing is used by people in these countries to wear and to sell in markets for income. So the Clothing Closet mission that starts in Burwell by volunteers extends to other cities, states, and countries. None of it goes to waste. Clothing that is not used is recycled into yarn, rags, and stuffing for chairs and car seats.

Not only do people in other parts of the world use the clothing that we send on, but the Speed The Light Toss Box National Youth Ministries receives money from the amount of clothing we donate to them. The total amount allocated from the Burwell church in 2016 was \$1,125.00 for the Speed the Light missions to help purchase a utility vehicle to deliver clothing and goods to people in foreign countries;

The mission begins locally by every citizen and extends beyond Burwell to help people in all parts of the world and additionally, it helps provide missionaries with a means of transportation. The Clothing Closet is also a means of bringing many people and churches together in Burwell and the surrounding area to serve others.

Any individual or business can donate to the Clothing Closet. All donations are accepted. And volunteers keep the Clothing Closet mission in Burwell functioning. <http://www.speedthelight.com/>

Mission: To promote and provide environmental education and projects that will lead to litter prevention, waste reduction, recycling and beautification in central and north central Nebraska.