

Get to know us



2 Shirts Ministry

*Giving hope through clothing
Reducing waste through love*



What we do

We share the love and hope of Jesus by

- Providing clothing to unsheltered people
- Gifting 7-day wardrobes to children who are placed into emergency foster care
- Getting clean clothing to people who have experienced natural and man-made disasters
- Reducing textile waste from landfills and incineration by being good stewards of resources

We are blessed by individuals who contribute their unneeded work items.

We are happy to work with corporate ESG departments, employers, union reps, and individuals to develop a process to collect and donate new and used SWAG and uniforms. If your organization wants to be more responsible with its textile waste, please contact us.

Where we work

We currently serve Lincoln County, North Carolina and the surrounding areas. As we grow, we will expand our service area to North Carolina, the southeast, and the entire U.S.

Did you know...

Clothing Waste



In 2018, 17 million tons of textile waste was generated in the U.S. Of that, 2.5 million tons was recycled, 3.2 million tons was combusted and 11.3 million tons was landfilled.

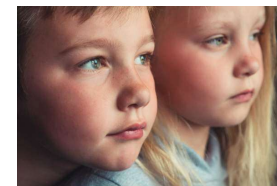
Homelessness

According to the HUD Homelessness Assessment for 2022, there were at least



3,625 unsheltered homeless persons in North Carolina. Statewide there is an estimated total of 9,382 homeless people – 2,730 families with children and 6,652 individuals with a total of 5,757 people sheltered. We could find no official count for our immediate area but it's far too high.

Foster Children



In February 2023, WBTV Charlotte reported that there are over 12,000 children in foster care in North Carolina.

There are less than 6,000 licenses foster homes in the state and some children are having to sleep in social services offices and local jails.



When items come in...

We take corporate-branded clothing (SWAG) and employee uniforms that cannot be donated anywhere and we decommission them. We remove embroidered and heat-transfer logos and replace them with a different image.

This allows us to save a mountain of items from landfills and get them to those who need them.

Where they go...

Once we have removed logos and laundered and added a new image, we distribute items to ministries and organizations that serve our target constituents. We also provide direct aid when we can. Seasonally appropriate garments are distributed according to need.



What we need

We take a variety of items that cannot be donated elsewhere. We can make use of the following:

- Corporate clothing (SWAG) – items with employer and/or corporate logos
- Employee uniform shirts and pants, jackets, coats, rain gear, etc.
- Gloves, hats, scarves
- Blankets
- New and gently used boots, shoes, sneakers (useful items...nothing designer) and laces
- New socks and undergarments
- Money – we manage *every penny* but it takes a lot of them

We will also take bulk fabrics like fleece and flannel that we can transform into needed items like blankets and scarves.

If you have questions about these or other items you'd like to donate, please email giving@2shirts.org.

Check out our website or Facebook for special item requests we may make from time to time.

Who We Are

We are a small group of Christ followers who believe that everyone should have access to basic life necessities. We believe in being good stewards of the resources God has provided. To that end, we have begun this ministry to provide clothing and other items to those in need...homeless populations, disaster victims, and children entering the foster care system.

We are guided by Luke 3:11 which tells us that “anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none.”

Contact Us

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We are very frugal and conserve every penny in order to direct as much as possible to our program operation. We do not do a lot of color printing and most of our promotional material is printed on donated paper. For this reason, our brochures and flyers may look inconsistent. We'd rather be funny looking than waste money.

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