

# Clothing Drop Off Project:

## St. Andrew's Episcopal Church opens shed to collect clothing

Cleaning out your closets? We have a place for you to drop them off! St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Longmeadow has teamed up with St. Pauly Textile Inc., to collect used clothing. The company works with non-profit organizations, like St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, to set up used clothing drop off sheds designed to give community members a clean, attractive, and well-monitored place to donate gently used textile items, which are then distributed both here in the U.S. and worldwide to people who need them.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church receives a stipend for clothing collected, which the church will use to provide additional support for its Missions/Outreach ministry. The church also has the option to use any of this clothing to serve community needs.

St. Pauly Textile, Inc. collects over 120,000 pounds of clothing every day and estimates that this clothing ends up in 44 different countries (including the United States) yearly. In 2017, the company was able to help keep over 20 million articles of clothing out of landfills. The company was founded 22 years ago in Rochester, NY and is an A+ rated member of the Better Business Bureau.

Accepted items include clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, drapes, linens, pillowcases and stuffed animals. Donors are asked to donate items in a plastic bag to protect against dirt and the elements. There is a small box on the shed that contains receipts to help donors take a tax deduction.

Please consider donating your used clothing items today at 335 Longmeadow Street Longmeadow, MA 01106.

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