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Community Options' Binghamton Office To "Outfit Yourself With a Better Future" Starting Monday

PRINCETON, NJ, JULY 29, 2015 -- Community Options, Inc., a national nonprofit dedicated to providing housing and employment support to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, partnered with Men's Wearhouse over the last six weeks for its eighth annual National Suit Drive, collecting donations of gently-used professional attire for unemployed Americans. Clothing collected at Men's Wearhouse was distributed to Community Options and over 180 nonprofit organizations that provide job-ready skills, training and seminars to disadvantaged men and women entering or re-entering the workforce in Binghamton and across the United States.

The Community Options' Binghamton office will hold the "Outfit Yourself With a Better Future" event starting next week. It will begin Monday, August 3 through Wednesday, August 5, daily from 2-4pm at 184 State Street, Binghamton, NY 13901. Other times and dates available upon appointment, by calling (607) 722-5971 ext. 311. Professional attire, including a large quantity of suits, will be available to try on, and take home that day at no charge.

"As an organization, we strive to assist individuals with disabilities who are seeking employment, by empowering the person with a multitude of employment supports." said Amanda Rick, Executive Director of Community Options' Binghamton office. "Over the last five years, the partnership with Men's Warehouse National Suit Drive, has allowed Community Options to provide hundreds of men and women in Binghamton with appropriate business attire for interviews at no cost. Many of these individuals wouldn't have an opportunity to wear new or gently used attire otherwise. The knowledge that a person is dressed appropriately can give interviewees the confidence and edge they need to achieve employment success."

As part of this year's National Suit Drive, Men's Wearhouse issued a challenge to consumers across the country to meet or exceed the goal of 250,000 donated items. Over the past seven years, the National Suit Drive has collected approximately 850,000 professional clothing donations, and this year strived to break the one million donation mark.

The initiative started on June 22nd, with people donating their gently-used professional clothing, including men's and women's suits, ties, jackets, shirts, pants, and belts. As a thank you, donors received 50 percent off the regular retail price of their next purchase from Men's Wearhouse (excluding shoes, clearance and Exceptional Value items).

"A suit is more than just about how you look – it's about how you feel, and it's important to feel your absolute best during a job interview," said Doug Ewert, CEO of The Men's Wearhouse, Inc. "The National Suit Drive gives men looking to re-enter the workforce a chance at a new beginning. Through this annual campaign, we've had an opportunity to truly make a difference in people's lives, and we're excited at the potential of reaching one million donations this year."

This year, the National Suit Drive is partnering with DeMarco Murray, the AP NFL Offensive Player of the Year, to help spread the word.

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About Community Options

For over 25 years, Community Options has developed housing and employment programs for people with disabilities. Community Options operates with a budget over \$107 million and serves thousands of people with disabilities through 38 offices across 9 states. Providing advocacy assistance to empower people with disabilities, Community Options believes that all people –regardless of disability level – should live and work in the community with dignity, choice, and self-determination. A registered PVO with USAID, Community Options is also the pioneer of innovative programs for people with disabilities in the Middle East, Russia, and South America. Please visit our website at www.comop.org.

About Men's Wearhouse

Founded in 1973, Men's Wearhouse is one of North America's largest specialty retailers of men's apparel with 1,758 stores. The Men's Wearhouse, Jos. A. Bank, Moores and K&G stores carry a full selection of suits, sport coats, furnishings and accessories in exclusive and non-exclusive merchandise brands and Men's Wearhouse and Tux stores carry a limited selection. Most K&G stores carry a full selection of women's apparel. Tuxedo rentals are available in the Men's Wearhouse, Jos. A. Bank, Moores and Men's Wearhouse and Tux stores. Additionally, Men's Wearhouse operates a global corporate apparel and workwear group consisting of Twin Hill in the United States and Dimensions, Alexandra and Yaffy in the United Kingdom. For additional information on Men's Wearhouse, please visit the Company's websites at www.menswearhouse.com, www.josbank.com, www.josephabboud.com, www.mooreclothing.com, www.kgstores.com, www.twinhill.com, www.dimensions.co.uk and www.alexandra.co.uk.