STUDENTS CLOTHING BANK

Service Hours: Monday-Wednesday 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm Thursday 1:30pm to 5:30pm

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National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that about 1 in 6 (17%) children in the United States has obesity. Many factors lead to the increase in childhood obesity including: too much time spent being inactive, lack of sleep, lack of places to go in the community to get physical activity, easy access to inexpensive, high calorie foods and sugary beverages, and lack of access to affordable, healthier foods. Many of the students that receive services from Locker #505 also depend on free or reduced lunches at their school. At times this may be the only meal that a child gets for the day. Our students also fall into the lack of sleep category as many have increased concerns about where the next meal is coming from or how to "blend in" with everyone else at school. Locker #505 hopes that by providing students with ac-

cess to fashionable clothing we can contribute to their stress levels decreasing, allowing them to focus on other aspects of their physical, emotional, and mental health.



A Message from the Director

Locker #505 is fortunate to have several businesses and organizations that support us in many different ways, and believe me we could not do what we do without their support. One such organization that has supported us from the very beginning is St. Stephen's United Methodist Church. This church and its congregation has done everything from collecting school supplies and doing sock and underwear drives to making financial donations that make it possible for us to purchase exactly what we need. Their support is not just one time

during the year, but all year long. One of the members from the congregation even takes care of much of our laundry for us; especially helpful when we get Lost and Found items from schools. A huge THANK YOU goes out to this extraordinary group of individuals at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church for their continued support.

Over the last couple of years we have been one of the non-profits that has been permitted to have a Charity Banner at Isotopes Park. We are sponsored by a company that gives a set amount of money for every homerun the Isotopes hit at home games. This year we were sponsored by John Gabaldon at Academy Mortgage Corporation. He donated \$3,000 that was spent to purchase shoes for more than 350 students that we have already seen this year! Thank you John Gabaldon at Academy Mortgage Corporation for your generous support and for making it possible for students to run faster and jump higher with a new pair of shoes from Locker #505.

Fondly, Kim Kerschen Director Locker #505: Student's Clothing Bank



We recently received this sweet note from Lynn Ramsey, a local counselor, about how we have helped her students:

" Ms. Kerschen, Thank you again! Your staff was amazing today and helped my student feel comfortable in an awkward situation (teenagers are different than the young ones and your folks were so kind, welcoming, and patient). I like your new digs, and Lisa was awesome!

Thank you again; your work is so important and much appreciated!"

United Way Campaign

Every year Locker #505: Student's Clothing Bank receives designated donations from those of you that donate to the United Way Campaign each year through your workplace. These donations are invaluable to us, making it possible for us to purchase new shoes, new socks and new underwear each month in the sizes that are needed. Last school year we saw more than 1,000 students and this year, so far, we have seen more than 350! These students come from schools throughout Bernalillo County. We wish all our donors could see the smiles on these students faces! If you have designated your United Way donation to Locker #505 we thank you and hope you will continue to do so. If you haven't designated your donation in the past, we hope you will consider donating to Locker #505 this year and that you will encourage friends and co-workers to do the same.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT LOCKER #505, WE RECEIVE NO FEDERAL, STATE, OR CITY FUNDING; WE ARE ABLE TO DO WHAT WE DO BECAUSE OF THE GENEROSITY OF INDIVIDUALS LIKE YOU AND OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Sheraton Uptown Halloween Scare-aton

Join the Sheraton Uptown and Locker #505 for the 5th Annual Scareaton on Halloween evening at the Sheraton Uptown from 5-8pm. This is a safe and fun way to spend Halloween evening for kids of all ages. The trick-or-treating and carnival are free for all children. You can bring new socks or new underwear and receive free admission to the Haunted House or pay just \$1. No time to eat before coming trick-or-treating? No problem! The chef at the Sheraton will have some ghostly food for a small fee. **ALL PRO-CEEDS** go to Locker #505: Student's Clothing Bank!



Thank You Donors and Volunteers!

Thank You St. Stephen's United Methodist Church for your continued financial and in-kind donations!

Thank you John Gabaldon at Academy Mortgage Corporation for your generous financial donation and sponsorship of our Charity Banner at Isotopes Park!



Our Current Wish List

This month we are in need of:

- Men's underwear size 40 (boxers)
- Boy's underwear sizes 4,6,8 (boxers)
- Girl's underwear sizes 5,6,10,12 (bikini)
- Socks: Men's sizes 9-11; boy's size small
- Coats: Boys sizes: 5,6,7; Ladies size: small
- Toys and Stuffed Animals

Tips on Referring Students

- We have a NEW REFERRAL FORM! If you are a school staff member, please contact us ASAP for our new form so you can get your referrals in for the upcoming school year.
- Please remind parents that we see students on a first come first served basis— it's important to get there early! Students **must** be accompanied by a parent/ guardian to receive clothing.
- We must close the doors 30 minutes prior to closing time.

We Need YOU!

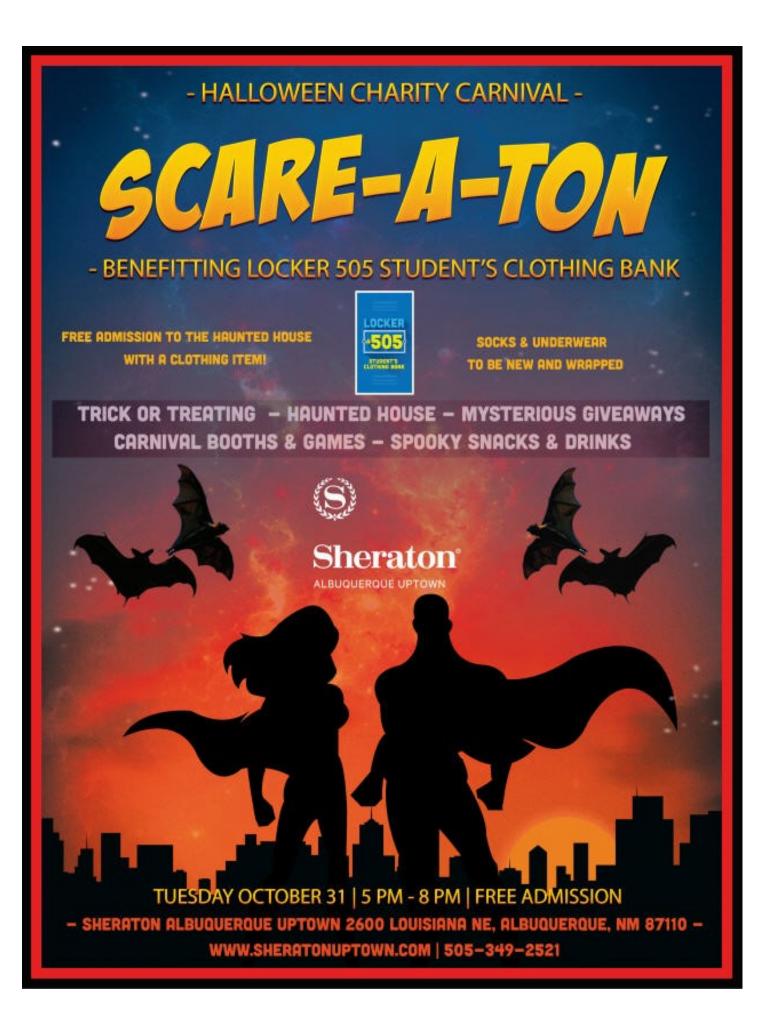
Locker #505 is always in need of volunteers! We love helping you put your passion into practice and have many different opportunities available for volunteers! If you would like more information please contact us at director@locker505.org.

Volunteers must pass an APS Background Check

Calling All Businesses and Organizations!

Do you want to get the word out about what you do? Then please consider sponsoring a room at the 5th Annual Scare-aton! The price to reserve a room is \$150.00 and includes free candy to pass out to the children and their families as they trick-or-treat through the hotel. As families come by you can speak with parents and hand out information about your business or organization. Once the children are done trick-or-treating at 8pm, you can relax and enjoy the room until check out the next day. More information on how to reserve your room is enclosed in the next pages of the newsletter. **ALL PROCEEDS** from the rooms, concession stand and haunted house go to Locker #505: Student's Clothing Bank!







Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown Presents

5th Annual Scare-aton Halloween Charity Carnival To benefit the Locker #505 Student's Clothing Bank OCTOBER 31, 2017 5:00PM-8:00PM



Friends of the Albuquerque Uptown area:

Locker #505'S mission is to provide appropriate school clothing to K-12 Bernalillo County students in need.

Locker #505 has established a student-focused facility where children can try on and choose outfits that they feel good about wearing. Having appropriate school clothing allows children to concentrate on their school work, not their clothing. It also helps keep children, who might not go to class because of their clothes, stay in school. It is crucial to us that each student is treated with the utmost respect and kindness and leaves Locker #505 feeling good.

In 1950, concerned parents and teachers, recognizing the need to assist some students with clothing and shoes, began the BCCPTA Clothing Bank. This was a student-centered facility where children could try on clothes in comfortable and welcoming surroundings aided by caring and knowledgeable employees and volunteers. When the BCCPTA Clothing Bank closed its doors in 2013, a great resource for children was lost to the Bernalillo County community. Locker #505 was founded in 2014 to once again provide a student-centered clothing facility for children in need where they can find loving assistance in choosing appropriate school clothing. For more information about Locker #505, visit their website at: http://www.locker505.org or their facility located at 6020 Constitution Ave NE #1, Albuquerque, NM 87110.

The Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown is a huge supporter of Locker #505 and our goal is to bring the Uptown Community together to support this great cause!

Locker #505 is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization and their Tax ID # is 46-576573. It is an event open to the public and will be greatly advertised throughout the community.

Please feel free to give us a call if you have any questions at (505) 881-0000 or email at <u>rebec-ca.bejcek@sheratonuptown.com</u> or <u>swilson@sheratonuptown.com</u>. I look forward to hearing from you and appreciate your time, consideration, and generosity, and consideration as well as your generosity!

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Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown Presents

5th Annual Scare-aton Halloween Charity Carnival To benefit the Locker #505 Student's Clothing Bank



Entrance to this event will be free to the public and will include access to trick or treating and all carnival booths. We are hoping to have a haunted house as well! The hotel will also provide concession stands and cash bars for all attendees willing to purchase.

We will also be inviting the public to bring donated gently used or new clothing items to this event. Items needed are: Clothing, sizes 5-4X, which includes socks, underwear, jackets, sweaters, mittens, and warm hats. There will be several clothing bins located throughout the event.

As a local business or organization, you can participate in this fun and fabulous event:

Hotel Guest Room Trick or Treating

All children in the community are invited to trick or treat on our second floor guest rooms. We have 27 guest rooms available for sponsorship. They can go door to door and trick or treat. As a business, you may rent a sleeping room. You will be provided with candy to hand out to the kids. You will also be able to handout your own promotional items and collateral to the adults. This is a great way to reach the public and let them know about your company or business as well and participate in a community event. Proceeds go to Locker #505 Student's Clothing Bank.

You may also donate the cost of candy bags for the trick-or-treating; and any monetary donations are also welcome.

Please fill out the information below and include it with your donation.

I/ My company would like to:

	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sponsor a hotel sleeping room:		\$150.00	\$
Donate Candy:		\$5.00/ bag	\$
Donate Money:			\$
Total amount due:	\$ 		
Company:	 Contact Name:		
Email:	 _ Phone	9:	