

# The Resource

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## From The Founder

We hope that you enjoy our first newsletter. The staff and I wanted a way to keep our supporters informed about the ongoing here at Mom's Closet. We want you to celebrate with us when good things happen, and pray for us when we are in need. I want to thank you personally for the ongoing support that you have provided for Mom's Closet. We couldn't do it without loyal supporters in our community.

Thank you,

*Sheila Day*  
Founder & CEO



## A Word from our President

Dear Readers,

I have been involved with Mom's Closet from the very beginning, but had the privilege to come on Staff in February, 2013. Every day is different, and every day is a blessing. We are always taken back by all of the support we receive from our community. We never know who will be coming into the center with food, small household items, and even things for our Center. Being a non profit, we are always grateful for people willing to invest in our organization.

I am also amazed by the number of volunteers that step up to assist us at the office, at the transitional house, and with our moms. We love each and every one of you. You help us to be the hands and feet to our moms.

Lastly, we are always amazed by the single mom's that become our Life Plan Clients. They are amazing ladies with such a heart for being educated, while working and being a mom! I love how seriously they take these commitments.

If I haven't had the opportunity to meet you, please feel free to take a moment to come to the center, give me a call to chat, or send me an email.

Blessings,

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## Important Dates

Aug 1st  
Kids Back to School Shoe Shopping

Aug 5th  
Boot Camp Starts

Aug 12th  
JCPS 1st Day of School

Sept 15th  
Breakfast Of Champions



## **New Growth Efforts**

### **Gabrielle Benfield, Program Coordinator**

God is good as we continue to add more moms to our program. This is partly due to our renewed efforts of reaching out to local colleges and school to get the word out about Mom's Closet, and our new boot camp initiative. Our boot camp is designed to help single mothers qualify for our program. It is a four week long camp that meets once a week. Two weeks are centered on getting enrolled in school and the other two weeks are focused on finding a job. To find out more about our boot camp please contact Cassie at the office.

If you know of someone who might qualify for the Life Plan Program, please have them reach out to Mom's Closet. Also, if you know of an organization that has an awareness event coming up in the near future and think that we would be a great fit to set up a booth, please don't hesitate to let us know. We would love to participate. Contact me at our office, 245-9899 ext 202, or by email, [Gabrielle@momsclosetcenter.org](mailto:Gabrielle@momsclosetcenter.org).

## **Celebrations all around!**

### **Gabrielle Benfield**

One of our mom's recently graduated from our program with her Master's degree in Human Resources. This is bittersweet for all of us, as we consider our moms friends and family because of the relationships that we build with them, but we are so proud of her accomplishments! We are going to miss her so much, but we know she will continue to be an advocate for Mom's Closet and single moms who are struggling and in need of support. Please join us in congratulating her on her accomplishments and we ask for your continued prayers for her as she embarks on this next chapter of her life.



We have added 5 new moms in the past two months and we have an additional 3 moms who are in the process of joining the Life Plan Program by the end of the month



## **Events Update**

### **Irene Day, Marketing/Data Coordinator**

Our two fundraising events were a wonderful success this Derby season. Everyone enjoyed dressing up in their 20's garb for a Gatsby Affair, and The Winning Purse Luncheon was a fun day to dress all in pink and enjoy the races. We want to thank everyone who came out to support us, and hope that you all will return to our opening night event next year. Contact me at [irene@momsclosetcenter.org](mailto:irene@momsclosetcenter.org) with any questions.

Thank you Darkblue Photography for the beautiful coverage of the Gatsby Affair.



## Thank you Volunteers and Donors

Cassie Wingfield, Office/Volunteer Coordinator

Hi, my name is Cassie Wingfield, and I am the Office Coordinator at Mom's Closet. One of my responsibilities is to coordinate the volunteers that partner with MCRC, and I want to take a moment to highlight one of our volunteer groups.

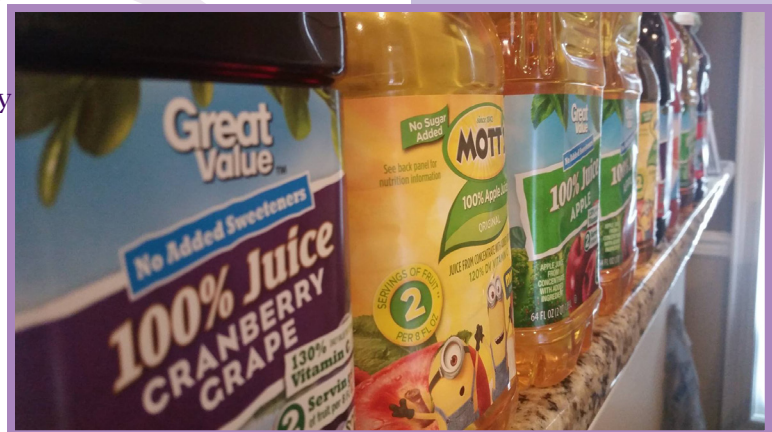
BB&T has helped out Mom's Closet tremendously over the past few months. Not only have they put in a lot of work into the center and the transitional house, but they also funded a lot of the repairs and improvements. Our transitional house is looking wonderful thanks to the help of BB&T. Also our center is looking amazing. We are so proud of our building and feel every mother and child that visits our center will want to come back! Thanks again to BB&T for all the hard work and resources!

Another part of my position is working with donations. Mom's Closet would like to take this opportunity to thank our community for selflessly giving to our cause. Our food pantry is accessed monthly by the mother's in our program, but is also available to any single mother in the state of Kentucky who is in need of food for her and her children. Our pantry is completely stocked by the community. Every week we post a needs list on Facebook and every week our community provides. There are several churches, companies, organizations and individuals that have given continuously and we are so grateful. We are always in awe of the way God continues to bless MCRC through our community. What blessings!

Right now, we would like to shine the spotlight on one group specifically. PriceWeber Marketing

Communications started a "Fitness Friday" this past year. Every employee is allowed the opportunity to wear active wear to work on Friday's if they bring in a donation to Mom's Closet. Each week an employee from PriceWeber contacts Mom's Closet and asks what our needs are for the food pantry and each week they bring in donations for the pantry along with monetary donations. Thank you PriceWeber for all of your help. We look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

If you are interested in ways to volunteer, or in making a donation, please feel free to contact me at 502-245-9899, ext. 200 or email me at [Cassie@momsclosetcenter.org](mailto:Cassie@momsclosetcenter.org). I look forward to serving with you.



**Thank you PriceWeber!**

### Volunteer Spotlight

"Volunteerism embodies Humana's purpose and values. It is a tangible way we impact the health and well-being of the communities we serve, and it is personally meaningful to our associates." You can find these words written on Humana's own website. Over the past year Humana has been sending us teams and individual volunteers who have helped us with all kinds of projects around the office. We are so grateful for all of the hard work that the Humana employees have put into our center. We look forward to continuing to work with Humana teams and individuals in the future.

