

# About Dress for Success

The mission of Dress for Success is to empower women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life.

Your donations enable us to provide programming, services and interview apparel to help women on their journey towards economic independence.

A donation drive can be focused on gift cards, accessories, cash, or apparel.

Our **Suiting Programs** provide clients with career appropriate attire for the job interview and newly secured employment.

*We accept donations of nearly new, contemporary, seasonal apparel, shoes, handbags and jewelry. Our great need are basic staples (white shirts and black pants).*

**Financial contributions** are greatly appreciated help us provide programming and services. Encourage your employees to support our mission by donating via customized text to give or fundraising page. Your company will be able to track these *donations.*

or

*Donations can be made through our website*  
[dressforsuccess.org/get-involved/](https://dressforsuccess.org/get-involved/).



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# Seasonal Guidelines

## Q1 January – March

seasonal coats, career appropriate sweaters, pants, skirts, blazers, closed shoes, handbags, outerwear (scarves, hats, gloves), and long sleeve dresses

## Q2 April – June

seasonal spring coats (trench coats, jackets), skirts, blouses, pants, blazers, shoes (closed toe, peep toe, sling backs), and spring dresses ,

## Q3 July – September

lightweight career appropriate cardigans, dresses (must cover bra straps; no strapless, halters or spaghetti strap dresses) and shoes (summer pumps, peep toes, ballet flats; no strappy sandals)

## Q4 October – December

Fall/ lightweight wool coats, boots, wool blend pants, skirts, jacket, suits, cardigans, blazers, and scarves

## Accepted Year Round

- ✓ classic jewelry: chain necklaces, pearls, earrings
- ✓ totes/ handbags
- ✓ classic pumps/flats
- ✓ black pants and white shirts
- ✓ plus sizes; 14 and above

\*Neutral colors preferred



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# Apparel Guidelines

DFS accepts nearly new, contemporary, ready to wear, seasonal career appropriate women's professional attire in all sizes.

All career appropriate clothing donations **MUST** be laundered/dry-cleaned and ready to wear. No donations should be in need of repair.

## Apparel – *Solid, Neutral colors*

suits • dresses • blazers • skirts • pants • cardigans • dress shirts & blouses • twin sets • medical scrubs

## Shoes - *Career Appropriate Shoes*

pumps • peep-toe • closed toe sling-back • flats • ballet • loafers • boots (seasonal)

## Undergarments - *NEW*

hosiery • undergarments • control undergarments

## Accessories

handbags • totes • jewelry • belts • scarves

## Cosmetics /Toiletries - *Must be Unopened and no less than 6 months expiration date*

new toiletries • hygiene • grooming products • cosmetics • fragrances

## *Our Greatest Needs are:*

Apparel in size 0-2 and 14 and up, business appropriate shoes (especially sizes 9 and above).

Control Undergarments in large sizes; packaged or tagged (new)

Basic white tops and black slacks.

## *\*We do not accept\**

sweatshirts • sweatpants • running shoes • bathrobes • sleepwear • athletic attire • formal wear /party wear • menswear • jeans • sandals • children's clothing • swimwear • shorts • **opened /used** toiletries, cosmetics, grooming and hygiene products



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