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MEDIA ADVISORY

YSU Greek Life Collects Thousands of Clothing Items for Goodwill

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(Youngstown, OH) - Youngstown State University students step up during the holiday season and their Greek Week festivities. For the past five years, the Office of Student Activities has partnered with the United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley to identify a local non-profit that can benefit from the annual clothing drive held by the sororities and fraternities on campus. This year Youngstown Area Goodwill Industries will be the recipient of nearly 10,000 pieces of clothing.

"Each year the Greek Week drive grows, and we knew we needed to identify a partner agency that has the capacity to take this sizeable donation." said Bob Hannon, United Way of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley. "Goodwill is not only equipped to do so, but they serve as such an amazing resource in our community. We are proud to partner with both Goodwill and YSU."

For over 125 years, Goodwill has operated as a nonprofit organization, providing jobs and job training to people in the Mahoning Valley who face barriers to employment, such as individuals with disabilities.

"We are so grateful to be the recipient of this clothing drive. Donations are the lifeblood of our organization." state Jim Freeze, Goodwill's Executive Director, "They allow us to employ over 250 people in the Mahoning Valley, most of whom are overcoming various challenges in the workforce."

The clothes donated through this drive are sorted, hung, and processed by individuals with disabilities at Goodwill's central facility on Belmont Ave. in Youngstown.

"Each of our fraternities and sororities work hard throughout the year to raise money and awareness for their individual philanthropies set forth by their inter/national headquarters. It's during Greek Week that the YSU Greek Community has the opportunity to combine efforts to support the United Way in serving the Mahoning Valley and its partner agencies, such as

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Goodwill." shared Carrie Anderson, Assistant Director and Greek Advisor, Office of Student Activities. "We are proud of their ongoing commitment to give of their time and resources. Each year they manage to make this effort bigger and better than ever."

The media is invited to get photos, video, and interviews as the YSU students pack up trucks with all the clothing donations.

WHAT: YSU Greek Life Clothing Drive

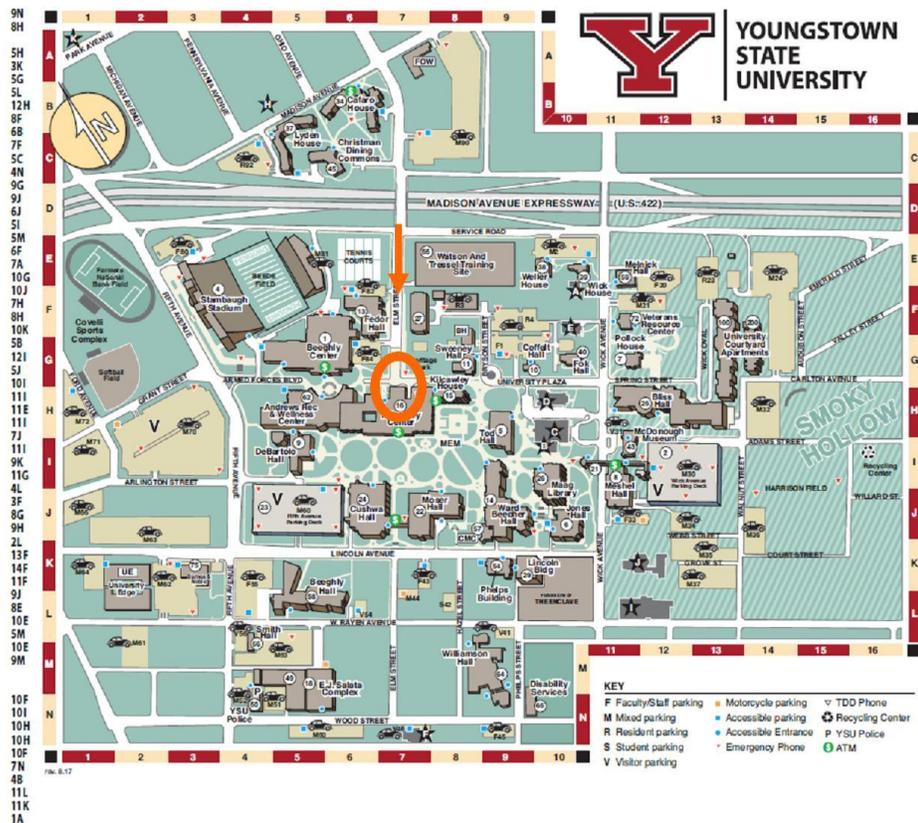
**WHEN: Friday, November 16th, 2018
10:00 AM**

WHERE: YSU KILCAWLEY CENTER
We will be loading the clothes behind Kilcawley Center off of Elm Street. See attached map.

University Buildings

- 65 36 West Wood St. (Disability Services)
- MEM 9/11 Memorial
- 62 Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center
- 75 Barnes & Noble Bookstore
- 1 Beechly Center
- 58 Beechly Hall
- 25 Bliss Hall
- BH Buechner Hall
- 34 Cafaro House
- 27 Central Utility Plant
- 45 Christman Dining Commons
- 60 Clingan-Waddell Hall (YSU Police)
- 10 Coffey Hall
- 57 CMC
- 24 Cushwa Hall
- 9 DeBartolo Hall
- 18 E.J. Salata Complex
- 13 Fedor Hall
- FOW Flats On Wick Apartments
- 40 Fok Hall
- 6 Jones Hall
- 16 Kilcawley Center
- 15 Kilcawley House
- 29 Lincoln Building
- 37 Lyden House
- 2 M30 Wick Avenue Parking Deck
- 26 Maag Library
- 43 McDonough Museum of Art
- 59 Melnick Hall
- 8 Meschel Hall
- 22 Moser Hall
- 21 Pedestrian Bridge
- 54 Phelps Building
- 7 Pollock House
- 56 Smith Hall
- 4 Stambaugh Stadium
- 11 Sweeney Hall (Admissions)
- 5 Tod Hall
- UE University Edge Apartments
- 100 University Courtyard Apartments
- 200 University Courtyard Apartments
- 72 Veterans Resource Center
- 14 Ward Beecher Hall
- 66 Watson and Tressel Training Site (WATTS)
- 38 Weller House
- 49 Westinghouse Building
- 39 Wick House
- 64 Williamson Hall

- Area Arts & Cultural Venues & Churches**
- A Armas Family Museum of Local History
 - B Beecher Center for Technology in the Arts
 - C Butler Institute of American Art
 - D Butler Institute - North Annex
 - E Holy Trinity Romanian Orthodox Church
 - F Museum of Industry and Labor
 - H Newman Center
 - I Public Library
 - J St. John's Episcopal Church
 - K Wick Park



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