

# Caring Closet Volunteer Guidelines

## **Our Vision:**

. Our vision is based on 1 John 3:17:

*“If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has not pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?”*

## **Our Mission:**

To collect and distribute slightly used clothing, blankets, towels, household items, and food to the needy in Saginaw County. In addition, we plant a garden each year to provide fresh produce for our food pantry and educational programs for children and families.

## **Our Operation:**

We are located at 6045 Mackinaw Road, corner of Kochville and Mackinaw. Open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month, from 10:00-12:00. Yearly calendars are available.

- You are welcome any time we are open. You don't need to call ahead.
- You can volunteer during the week when we're not open as well. Many of our volunteers help out during the week sorting through donations. If you are interested, please let us know and we will fill you in on times.
- We welcome the gifts God has given you to help with this ministry. Let us know where your strengths lie so we can accommodate you.
- Humility and a servant's heart are what we try to portray when working with Caring Closet visitors. We want to share the love of Christ with whomever comes for help.
- Our goal is to be obedient to God's calling to help those in need in whatever way we can. Our job is not to judge the situations our visitors find themselves in. Our job is to love them unconditionally.
- We always provide opportunities to pray with our visitors and with each other whenever it is requested.
- We always have specific volunteers in place who can help if a difficult situation should ever arise.
- **Food , clothing, and household items are also available to volunteers at the close of each Saturday we are open in the same amounts as offered to our visitors. This is the only time food and other items are available to volunteers.**
- **Thank you again for your help!**

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