



JOHNSON COUNTY CHRISTMAS BUREAU

HOLIDAY SHOP SUCCESS

Thanks to the efforts of over 3,500 volunteers, the 2017 Holiday Shop was a success. Over 12,000 of our neighbors received assistance in 2017.



Thank you to the entire Client Services team for coordinating the application and shopper check-in procedures and to Merriam Christian Church for allowing us extra office space to accommodate this vital function. Thank you to the volunteer team for recruiting and scheduling over 3,500 volunteers to help at the Holiday Shop.



Thanks, Seritage Growth Properties for allowing us to use the former Sears building. It was a fantastic space and thanks to your generosity many neighbors were able to receive assistance.

Thank you to UPS for providing trucks and drivers for move-in and move-out. We appreciate storage space donated by Meritex, Lakeview Village, Green Company, and Fry-Wagner.

Thanks to every sponsor, grantor and donor for providing resources to help our community. Every donation, large and small, makes a difference. For a complete list of sponsors and grantors, please [visit our website](#).

Thank you to all who ran a donation drive to provide merchandise for our Holiday Shop departments. We received so many wonderful items that went directly to clients in need. The school drives by Shawnee Mission, Olathe and Blue Valley schools were very successful and are vital to meeting our mission.



Thank you to all who responded to last month's plea for funding for a main course protein. We were pleased to reach our goal to provide chicken or turkey to every family at the Holiday Shop.

We could not fulfill our mission without volunteers to help with set-up/tear-down, staff departments, and walk with our neighbors in need. Thank YOU!

Client Stories

A client was brought to tears upon receiving a turkey for her large family. "Now we can have a holiday dinner."

Among the thousands of applications received before Shop was this note:
I sure thank you for your help. I don't need help anymore...help someone else that is in greater need. I am all right now.

We help many neighbors for many reasons.

- *I lost my job.*
- *My child is disabled.*
- *I am a senior on fixed income.*
- *I just left an abusive relationship.*
- *We are raising our grandchildren because of addiction.*
- *I came to live with family after losing everything to Hurricane Maria.*

Please Help Us Collect Client Stories

Our grantors and donors want to hear how their support has helped our neighbors. If you have a client story from the Holiday Shop, or you are a client and would like to share your story, please share it with us at office@jccb.org.



Kay King, Janell Engelhardt and Joanne King working in the Client Services office at Shop.



Coats Needs YOU!

Our clients appreciate receiving a winter coat for every member of the family. Coat drives are vital to making this possible.

We need team members now to begin collecting, counting, inspecting and sorting coats for the 2018 Holiday Shop. Spring will soon be here, which is also coat drive season. We have a fantastic chair of the Coats Department but she needs some help. If you would be interested in joining the Coats Team, please let us know. office@jccb.org

2018 Board of Directors

Welcome new and returning members of the JCCB Board of Directors!

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Thanks to Ian Kennedy (center) and Royals Charities for volunteering at Shop and presenting a grant check.



Johnson County Christmas Bureau
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Our Mission

- Provide warmth and support, during the winter holiday season, to low-income Johnson County, Kansas families;
- Increase awareness and understanding of poverty in Johnson County, Kansas;
- Give neighbors an outlet to help neighbors.

JCCB provides services to low-income Johnson County neighbors without regard to religion, race or ethnicity.



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