



**NEW: The Wardrobe Hosts Free Workforce Wednesdays
to Help People Facing Rising Unemployment
*Plus: May's Open Wardrobe Focuses on Summer Jobs + Internships***

(Greater Philadelphia Area) – As people face rising unemployment from federal layoffs and an uncertain economy, The Wardrobe's new program [Workforce Wednesdays](#) are free weekly workshops and coaching sessions to help people successfully transition to new work and careers.

Sessions include "Threads of Independence," where you can learn to curate a versatile and professional wardrobe capsule tailored to your career goals; "Acing an Interview," where you can learn to make a strong first impression and give an effective elevator pitch; and more. All sessions are held Wednesdays at 5 p.m. on Zoom.

By attending a workshop, participants will also earn a 50% off coupon to shop for a new professional outfit at The Wardrobe with locations in Philadelphia, Delaware, Bucks, Montgomery and Chester Counties. They can also request a personal online coaching session to work on their job search strategy, resume/LinkedIn profile, or interviewing techniques with a seasoned professional.

Guests are further encouraged to attend our [Summer Jobs + Internships Open Wardrobe](#), May 29, where they receive free clothing and additional resources. Open Wardrobe is a monthly event that provides free clothing to a specific population with no appointment needed. This allows people to "shop" with their peers and receive additional support, including complimentary services such as educational workshops, resource tables, and additional apparel not ordinarily available.

Open Wardrobe will be held at four Wardrobe locations: 62 W. Marshall Rd. Upper Darby,; 413 N 4th St. Philadelphia; 345 Scarlett Road, Kennett Square; and at the Exton Square Mall (2nd floor near Boscov's)

All participants must RSVP at wardrobepa.org/open-wardrobe

ABOUT THE WARDROBE

Celebrating its 30th year, [The Wardrobe](#) is a mission-driven nonprofit organization focused on eliminating clothing insecurity, empowering people for success, and curbing fashion waste.

Established in 1995 as *The Working Wardrobe*, our initial mission was to help low-income women transition into the workplace with interview suits and support. Since then, our mission has expanded to respond to the needs of a diverse community along with our changing ideas of “work” and “career.”

Whether someone needs an outfit for work or everyday life or coaching to help them build their career, they receive free support and STAR Treatment - Styling, Time, Advice, and Respect at The Wardrobe. With six locations throughout the Philadelphia region, we support 10,000 people annually with the clothing, advice, and tools needed to move forward toward independence and stability.

The Wardrobe believes clothing shouldn't be a barrier to success. We work to eliminate clothing insecurity which can mean not having anything to wear or not having the right thing to wear. In addition to clothing, our guests have access to our Wings for Success education program which offers one-on-one coaching and workshops to help them achieve their professional or personal goals.

Our Wardrobes in Philadelphia, Delaware, and Chester counties provide a sustainable shopping experience for our supporters who share the sales floor with our participants while they select their outfits at no charge. For those outside our area, we offer the [Wardrobe Box](#) both as a seasonal subscription box (similar to Stitch Fix) for shoppers or personally styled for free for participants.

Each year we "upcycle" 200,000+ pounds of gently used or new clothing to provide a stable source of free quality clothing for our participants' needs. Every article of clothing donated to The Wardrobe is ethically repurposed for free guest services, resale inventory, or recycled with our partner Helpsy.

Support Our Program: The Wardrobe is open to all for shopping and free clothing for those who qualify. When you choose to donate your clothing or shop at The Wardrobe, you are supporting our mission of empowering people and encouraging clothing reuse. You can shop in person in Philadelphia, Upper Darby, Exton, Kennett Square, or online by becoming a [Wardrobe Box](#) subscriber. Subscription boxes contain four pre-loved and fashionable pieces chosen just for you by our expert stylists and arrive on your doorstep quarterly to give a boost to your seasonal wardrobe! For every Wardrobe Box sold, we will send a free clothing box to someone in need.

Hours for shopping, clothing donations, and clothing services: Monday-Saturday from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Locations: Philadelphia (413 N. 4th Street), Upper Darby/Lansdowne (62 West Marshall Road), Kennett Square (345 Scarlet Road) and Exton Square Mall (2nd floor near Boscov's).

Receive Services: Although most participants are referred by our Community Partners, individuals in need are welcome to use our Open Access program to receive the clothing they need at no cost and our Wings for Success educational programs are open to all.

The Wardrobe also co-locates with Keystone First Wellness Center and the Bucks County CareerLink to provide limited on-site services and Wardrobe Box ordering. Information on how to get clothing or sign up as a Community Partner is available at www.wardrobepa.org/services.