



# NewsBriefs

## Back-to-school specials for educators at Second Chance Thrift

Teachers can experience their own back-to-school sale at Second Chance Thrift, located at 1674 W. Ogden Ave. Educators of all levels are invited to shop the thrift store and receive 15% off their total purchase from Tuesday, Sept. 6, through Saturday, Sept. 10.

"I know a lot of teachers—they go in their pocket and spend their own money," said store manager Marti Price, noting how many teachers use their own funds to pay for classroom and student supplies.

Good deeds for people are the focus at Second Chance Thrift. Store proceeds directly fund programs and services at ReVive Center for Housing and Healing, a Near West Side organization working to break the cycle of poverty and homelessness. The organization reports that it prevents homelessness for more than 6,000 people each year. Founded as the Cathedral Shelter of Chicago nearly 100 years ago, ReVive now operates permanent housing communities and offers addiction and other outreach services.

The shop began nearly 30 years ago as a place to gather and supply shelter patrons with free clothing and home goods. ReVive residents and program participants continue to receive this support. "We give to

the homeless, whenever they come in," Price said. "If they need it, we give. It's just part of what we do."

About eight years ago, the 5,000-square-foot store transitioned to sales to the public to provide monetary support to ReVive programming. Merchandise includes clothing, shoes, and accessories for men, women, and children; furniture; housewares; sports equipment; authentic artwork; and books. Price noted many donated items, including furniture, are quality vintage items.

Price invites all children who visit the store to select a book of their choice for free.

Service at the store includes job-interview clothing preparation. "I help people dress for their interviews," Price said, noting that what a person wears while job hunting can "make or break" the job search.

Every Tuesday, Second Chance Thrift features a 50% discount on clothing (excluding vintage and designer wares). Seasonal sales in August and March feature a \$20 fill-a-bag special; the price on the bag drops every two days until the shop sells all clothing inventory.

The store needs and welcomes donations. Drop off donations during store hours or arrange pick-up by calling (312) 924-9643.

Store hours are Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Visit <https://revivecenter.org/our-store/> and Second Chance Thrift on Facebook for more information.

—Monica M. Walk

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