

## Collecting Clothing & Goods *for* St. Vincent's Thrift Stores

### Drop Off Your Kids | Drop Off Your Donations

We bring a truck to the school campus and provide materials and donation attendants. As parents drop off their kids, they can also drop off their donations. We take the donations to one of our stores that same day.

### Organized Class Clothing Drives

Schools can run a Donation Drive Competition or Campaign for a specific amount of time (two weeks, for example). SVdP can schedule pick-ups to get the donations on set days or pick up all the donations at the end of the competition or campaign.



## Service Work at St. Vincent's Georgetown Food Bank and Community Service Center

We work with the teacher in advance to divide the participating students into groups to tour and work with our struggling neighbors at our Georgetown Food Bank and Community Service Center. All activities are supervised and directed by our staff members in concert with the teachers and participating parents.



On their field trip at St. Vincent de Paul, students receive:

(1) Briefing of St. Vincent de Paul's programs and a video overview with Q&A; (2) Supervised tours of Food Bank, Recycling Center, & Council Office, Supervised hands-on service to the poor in our Food Bank; (3) Discussion about perceptions of poverty in general and their experience at St. Vincent de Paul.

## In-Class Learning Sessions about the Poor



Rather than have over 50 students visit the SVdP Campus, we collaborated with Assumption St. Bridget School in developing and presenting an hour-long presentation to middle-school students on Life in Poverty in Seattle.

The program included a slide presentation on poverty and featured one of our employees, Shannon Jones, discussing stories from her life on the streets, her years on drugs and raising a

daughter while living around crime. One of the key drivers of this program was working with the teacher on aspects of the presentation that dealt with decision making.

We are not curriculum development specialists, but we are keenly interested in working with Kristin Dixon, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Professional Development for Catholic Schools. We have had one preliminary discussion with her about this area and we would like to be involved in fully developing a curriculum on the poor.

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