

CLOTHING AND HOMEGOODS DRIVE

GIVING SECOND LIFE

PARTNERING WITH LAZARUS HOUSE MINISTRIES



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017 12:00 TO 3:00PM

KENNETH H. POLLARD FUNERAL HOME 233 LAWRENCE STREET METHUEN, MA

Making a difference in our community starts with making a difference in the life of another family. One family at a time. As a family owned and operated funeral home, we believe in celebrating life as well as providing for a life well remembered. It is a fundamental philosophy of our family serving yours. Join us for this community fundraising event and bring your donation of gently used clothing, small used appliances: toasters, blenders, microwaves and housewares: dishes, pots, pans, silverware. Make a difference in another family's life and give your items a second life as well!

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Lazarus House announces community partnership with Pollard Funeral Home Kickoff Event scheduled

Lawrence, Mass. — Lazarus House Ministries is pleased to announce a new community partnership with Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home in Methuen.

In his capacity as the funeral home's Aftercare Facilitator, Denis Webster-Greene has been assisting grieving members of the community after a loved one has passed. Webster-Greene said one of the challenges grieving loved ones face is "what to do with clothing and other personal items after a loved one has passed."

In an effort to ease a burden on grieving loved ones and simultaneously provide clothing and other household goods to those in need in Lawrence, the funeral home will be accepting donations throughout the year and will be turning those items over to Lazarus House.

"As part of our service to the families of Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, I wanted to create a plan for the survivors to pass along their loved ones' belongings," Webster-Greene said. "What better way to memorialize that donation than to offer items that will serve so many members of our community who could most use these important — and yet basic — needs?"

To kick off the community partnership, Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home will be hosting the first annual "Giving Second Life" clothing and home goods drive on Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017. The event will run from noon to 3 p.m. in the funeral home's parking lot located at 233 Lawrence St. in Methuen.

Clothing and other household items, such as dishes, cutlery, canned food, small appliances, and more will be accepted. Extra parking will be available at St. Monica's across the street from the funeral home.

The Methuen Fire Department and firefighter's union will help serve hot dogs, hamburgers, and cool drinks during the event. The Methuen Police Department will also lend a hand loading donations onto trucks and delivering to Lazarus House.

About Lazarus House:

Lazarus House Ministries helps head of households and individuals living in poverty regain their dignity and become self-sufficient members of our community by offering emergency shelter, food and clothing to people in crisis and then providing transitional housing, advocacy, education and work preparation.