



Dear Neighbor:

As the Unique Thrift Store and Value Village approach their three year anniversaries in the Hillandale Shopping Center, I would like to thank the many residents who have continued to make us feel welcome in the community.

The downturn in the economy has affected all of us in some way. **We are welcoming new shoppers into our stores every day, as more people work to make their dollars stretch as much as possible.** We are committed to giving each of our customers a positive and unique shopping adventure, providing an upbeat and attractive source for affordable, quality merchandise.

Last December, we celebrated a Year of Giving and announced the **Unique Thrift Store's second annual donation of \$100,000 to Montgomery County's underprivileged** residents through the Unique Closet Program. The program helps County residents obtain the clothing and household items they need, free of charge, while maintaining their sense of dignity. **More than 3,000 County residents have directly benefited from this program,** which is administered through Unique Thrift Store's partnerships with the Montgomery County government, Montgomery County Public Schools and over 40 agencies and nonprofits.

To add to the celebration, we held the **First Annual Unique Closet Fashion Show,** featuring clients from Unique Closet partner agencies who volunteered to model clothes on the Unique Runway and share their stories! County Councilmember Valerie Ervin emceed the Fashion Show and County Executive Ike Leggett stopped by to show his support for the program. Mr. Leggett said, "The Unique Closet Program is a unique way to involve the entire community and help many people who truly need help at this point in time." You can share in the fun by watching the video on our website. **Go to uniquethrifstoremd.com and click on "Watch us on YouTube."**

On the business side, we are continuing to offer our **Unique Shoppers Card, which entitles you to special benefits at our stores,** such as 25% discounts on Thursdays. Please be sure to stop by and sign up for this great program.

I hope you will join us for our Third Anniversary Celebration on Thursday, July 30 from 11 AM- 2 PM, described on the back of this letter. I look forward to sharing with you a day of free food, music and fun to celebrate the Unique Thrift Store's commitment to the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dave Kloeber", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dave Kloeber
Principal
Unique Thrift Store and Value Village