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Jonnycake Center of Westerly Thrift Store to Open on Sundays for Holiday Shopping
Last Call for Holiday-Time Adopt-a-Family Signups

Westerly, RI – The Jonnycake Center of Westerly has announced that beginning Sunday, November 1st, its on-site **Thrift Store will be open Sundays in November and December from 10am to 2pm** during the holiday shopping season. With the addition of Sunday hours, the Center’s Thrift Store will offer public shopping seven days per week for the first time since March 2020.

The Jonnycake Center of Westerly is a non-profit Social Services provider and community Food Pantry that operates a 7,000 square-foot Thrift Store to help fund its programming. The Store offers a large variety of brand-new and gently-used affordable clothes, accessories, housewares, electronics, furniture, supplies, kids’ activities, and holiday/seasonal merchandise, with every item on the shelves having been donated from the community in the spirit of generosity.

As of Sunday, November 1st, the Store will be open to the public:

- Sundays: 10am to 2pm, last entry given at 1:30pm
- Mondays: 11am to 4pm, last entry given at 3:30pm
- Tuesdays: 9am to 4pm, last entry given at 3:30pm
- Wednesdays: 9am to 4pm, last entry given at 3:30pm
- Thursdays – *open late!* 9am to 6pm, last entry given at 5:30pm
- Fridays: 9am to 4pm, last entry given at 3:30pm
- Saturdays: 9am to 4pm, last entry given at 3:30pm

Face masks that cover the nose and mouth, and a no-contact forehead temperature check at the door, are required for entry without exception. The Thrift Store is currently limiting the number of shoppers inside, and if the Store is at capacity, arriving shoppers may be asked to wait outside. These policies are to protect staff and safeguard the Center’s on-site Food Pantry.

The Jonnycake Center of Westerly’s Thrift Store **welcomes donations to its Thrift Store**, with proceeds helping to provide basic needs assistance for children and families in southern Rhode Island. **Clothes, accessories, and small housewares are accepted Mondays through Saturdays between 10am and 2pm at the Center’s rear loading dock** at 23 Industrial Drive in Westerly. **Furniture and oversized items can only be donated by appointment.** Please email ThriftDonations@jonnycake.org to request a donation appointment. Some furniture can be picked up on a limited basis from the Jonnycake truck. Please email ThriftDonations.jonnycake.org to learn more. **“Dumping” donations outside of public donation hours is never allowed** and poses a hazard to Jonnycake staff – please donate only during the times listed.

Alongside the addition of Sunday shopping hours in its Thrift Store, the Jonnycake Center of Westerly’s Social Services department is registering new and existing clients for its holiday-time **Adopt-a-Family program**. This annual program helps provide **toys, gifts, and necessities for local underserved children** during the holiday season. Assistance is also available for families or individuals to procure **food and trimmings for traditional Thanksgiving and/or holiday meals**. Registration closes October 30th – please call **(401) 377-8069, option 1**, or email Sarah Cote, Social Services Program Director, at scote@jonnycake.org.

To sign up as a Donor for the Adopt-a-Family program, contact Lee Eastbourne, Executive Director, at leastbourne@jonnycake.org or call **(401) 377-8069 ext. 106** by October 30th. More information about the Adopt-a-Family program is available on the Jonnycake Center of Westerly’s website jonnycake.org or on its [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) channels. To make a financial contribution toward general Social Services programming, please call (401) 315-4584 or visit jonnycake.org/donate-2. Every dollar makes a difference.

About The Jonnycake Center of Westerly

The Jonnycake Center of Westerly’s mission is to provide a continuum of services in cooperation with other agencies in our service area to assist people through crisis situations and work with each individual to find a path out of dependency toward self-sufficiency. For more information, visit jonnycake.org, become a fan on [Facebook](#), follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#), or call (401) 377-8069.

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