



# Cincinnati State Career Closet

## Mission Statement

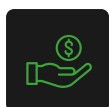


The CState Career Closet is a donation-based program dedicated to helping students build their professional wardrobe at no cost. We support men, women, and non-binary students and alumni preparing for job interviews, co-op/internships, attending job fairs, participating in corporate events, or presenting in class. Our goal is to alleviate the financial burden of purchasing professional attire, ensuring that students can look their best and project confidence as they work toward their career goals.

## Our Services

The Career Closet ensures students have access to **FREE** professional clothing. We employ student workers/interns to assist their peers in selecting appropriate attire and managing donor drop-offs. Our inventory includes "new or gently used" clothing donated by alumni, business professionals, faculty, staff, students, and community members. Students are not required to return the clothing; it is theirs to keep as they build their future.

## Donate Today



### Strengthen Our Community:

Donating not only provides essential resources to students but also fosters a sense of unity and collective pride in contributing to a great cause that strengthens our entire community.



### Strengthen the Workforce:

Helping the Career Closet with a selection of professional attire directly impacts students' ability to secure employment, improve self-confidence, enhance job prospects, and achieve economic stability.



### Empower Economic Mobility:

Your donation helps ease the financial burden for students, 53% of whom earn less than \$10,000 annually, enabling them to access professional attire for interviews, internships, and networking events, thus opening doors to career opportunities.

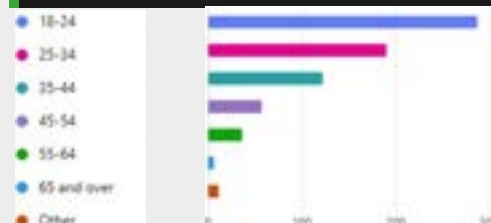
## Our Impact

*In a year (May 2023), we have assisted 730 students.*

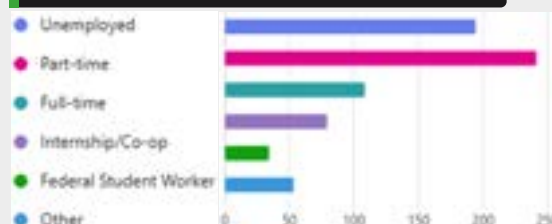
### Gender



### Ages



### Employment Status



### Income Status





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## How to Donate



We welcome donations of gently used or new professional clothing, shoes, and accessories. All items will help create a closet where students in need can "shop" for free. Donations can be dropped off at the Clifton campus.

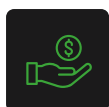
For more information, contact us at [careercloset@cincinnati-state.edu](mailto:careercloset@cincinnati-state.edu).

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## Donation Not Accepted

- Damaged
- Missing size labels
- Containing holes, stains, fraying, or odors
- Used undergarments
- Worn-down shoes
- Outdated or non-professional fabrics and patterns

## How to Get Involved



- **In-Kind Gifts:** Donate new professional attire directly
- Shop off our **Amazon Wishlist**
- Contribute **Gift Cards** for purchases



- **Corporate Donation Drives:** Promote and coordinate a clothing drive by engaging your employees.



- **Joint Sponsorship:** Sponsor events like Men's Suit Up, Spring Cleaning Drive, Women's Empowerment Fashion Drive, or Pop-up & Shop.



- **Volunteer:** Volunteer at the Career Closet to help decorate, dress mannequins, assist student shoppers, and tag clothes.
- **Facilitate a Workshop:** Offer your expertise by hosting a career development workshop for students on trending topics or professionalism.

## Our Needs

### Feminine

- Pants: Sizes 0-4 & 12-24 (Black, Gray, Navy)
- Dress Shoes: Sizes 4-10
- Blouses/Dress Shirts: Sizes XS - 2X
- Long Skirts: Sizes 0-2X
- Dress Coats and Blazers: Sizes 2-24 / S-2X
- Purses/Wallets
- Belts
- Jewelry/Accessories
- Scarves
- Perfumes (used, new, samples)

### Masculine

- Black Dress Socks
- Shoes: Sizes 8.5-13 (black/brown)
- Dress Pants: Sizes 30-36 (Black/Gray/Navy)
- Suit Jackets/Blazers: Sizes 34-40
- White Long Sleeve Dress Shirts: Sizes 16-18
- Ties/Bow Ties
- Cufflinks
- Wallets
- Watches
- Colognes (used, new, samples)

