

# **JOSEPH'S COAT**

## **ANNUAL REPORT – 2010**

Joseph's Coat is able to do great work in our community because of our volunteers. There are over 130. Some work several days a week, some work a few hours a day. Our oldest is 96, yes 96. She is a regular Tuesday worker. Our youngest are in their teens. Our volunteers are mostly women, but some are men. Some sort and stock shelves with clothes and household goods. Others assist shoppers in finding needed items. Some greet and register shoppers, others pack hygiene packets. Some clean the store. There is a wonderful camaraderie among the group; they are like a family.

The mission of Joseph's Coat is to offer slightly used clothing and household items free of charge to those in need. A packet of full size hygiene products is given to guests monthly. We serve individuals of all ages, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, abilities and challenges. St. Paul and surrounding communities are home to our customers; they come by car, bus, bike and by Metro Mobility and on foot.

There continues to be significant demand for the services of Joseph's Coat. The store is open for shopping Mondays and Wednesdays with the other days needed for organizing and re-stocking. Each day the store is open, there are typically an excess of 500 shoppers and children. Being open for seven and a half hours, that is more than 60 shoppers an hour. See the attached Shopper Count History.

Our Financial Report for 2010 is attached for your review. Like most charitable organizations, our report shows less income than the prior year. The Board of Directors is addressing our financial status.

The members of our Board of Directors are:

Wayne Beierman, Bob Brezinski, Bill Culbertson, Joe McKenzie, Marilee Miller, Herb Mischke, Arch Mrkvicka, Rita Quigley-Pres., Brian Zaidman.

The Board acknowledges with gratitude all who support us in our mission: volunteers and donors.