COMMUNITY THREADS KC

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420 S. Kansas Avenue
Olathe, KS 66061
913-995-0556
Wednesday and Thursday 9-4 pm
2nd Saturday of each month 10-3 pm
www.communitythreadskc.org

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Community Threads KC News

What an incredible first two months it has been! Since opening our doors, we've had the privilege of welcoming individuals and families into Community Threads KC and watching our vision come to life.

From our very first clients to the amazing volunteers who have stepped up, generous donors, and community members who continue to spread the word - you have made these first two months possible!

We opened on July 8th and were featured shortly thereafter in the Johnson County Post. We hosted our Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting on August 25th, followed by an article in The Olathe Reporter . We also participated with county officials and other social service agencies in the development of a Family Safety Center in Johnson County. And last week we were honored when the Kansas City Royals selected our organization to be a recipient of the Buck O'Neil Legacy Seat.

Thank you for believing in Community Threads KC and for being part of our story from the beginning. A**nd now, we're asking you to help us keep the momentum going.** There are many ways to be part of Community Threads KC - make a financial gift, donate new or gently used clothing, volunteer, become a business partner or tell someone about the work we're doing.

With gratitude,

Shelley

Our Thread Count

Families Served
487 people served in July and August. 60% of those were children/teens

Clothing Distributed
4304 items of clothing and accessories distributed to those in need.

Our Team - Volunteer led
30 active Volunteers with over 1000 volunteer hours

UPCOMING DATES

- **September 19, 2026** Open 10-3pm
- **October 1, 2026** 10-8pm Jason's Deli Benefit night - 25% of all orders will benefit CTKC (show flyer)
- Months of **October & November** "50 Thread Champions Campaign"
  - Become a Threads Champion! **Our goal is to find 50 people willing to give $25/month** - your small monthly gift could help keep clothing **free** for someone in need
- **November 1, 2026** Shawnee Mission Unitarian - Universalist Church - CTKC Charity of the Month
- **December 8** Texas Roadhouse fundraiser 4-10pm - *must show flyer or social media post*

Ways to financially support our mission

- Become a Community Threads KC monthly business partner - fund our utilities and rent for a month
  - *Website and social media recognition*
- Employee giving/matching gifts
- Consider us through your estate planning or Donor Advised Fund
- In-kind services
  - Printing, professional services, marketing, storage, lunch for our volunteers
- Adopt a rack or adopt a section
  - A business sponsorship of a specific area of the boutique for a year

Donated clothing helps fill our racks. Financial donations help keep our doors open



Behind the Hangers....
volunteer spotlight

Pat Hawkins brings plenty of heart, humor, and energy to Community Threads KC!

A native Kansan, Pat spent her career working in nonprofits and government. Now retired, she's happily putting her extra time to work serving others. She has always found ways to volunteer—from picking up trash and working at a recycling center to delivering books through the Kansas City Public Library. She is a proud mother of one and grandmother of 2. And despite her love for recycling, her husband and son don't share that enthusiasm.

In our boutique, Pat is known for her talent for making the shoes look their best. **But her favorite part?** Helping clients find clothing they feel great in. She loves seeing someone walk out looking sharp, feeling confident—and especially when they come back and ask for her!

Community Threads KC gives Pat **purpose, fun, and the opportunity to meet wonderful people while helping both the community and the planet**. "We throw nothing away. And I get to be a part of that!"