

2022-2023 Annual Report



THE UNDIES PROJECT

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-PRESIDENTS

Many people are continuing to struggle to cover a basic survival budget as the cost of living has markedly increased over the last few years due to inflation in housing, food costs and other essentials. This includes the cost of basic necessities, like underwear.

The Undies Project has been forging ahead in our 7th year expanding our mission by taking on 12 new partner agencies, increasing our volunteer numbers and developing a volunteer orientation program. Streamlining our ordering operations has been a huge success and has allowed us to donate on a more regular basis to our partner agencies who have, sadly, seen a marked increase in new clients seeking assistance.

However, the reality is that the number of pairs of underwear we can purchase with today's dollar is markedly less than it was 5 years ago. This means that we are having to work harder than ever to increase monetary donations, apply for more grants, and strive to receive more product donations from suppliers, manufacturers and lingerie distributors to maintain the level of support we have been giving to our partner agencies. We are incredibly grateful to have a supportive community of individuals and businesses that are dedicated to help The Undies Project assist those who are homeless, on a low income or are living in shelters who experience clothing insecurity.

Mardi "Bra" was a successful online event again this year and we have seen an increase in the number of houses of worship holding Undie Sunday drives.

With people keen to (finally!) once again attend in person events we were very happy to hold our fall fundraiser, Hilarity for Charity, that was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone - we certainly felt the love with the amount of money that was raised that night.

On behalf of our Board, volunteers and the clients of our partner agencies, thank you to all of you for making this year so impactful and memorable. Stay tuned for the next exciting year ahead!

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The signature on the left is 'Laura' and the signature on the right is 'Lucy'. Both are written in a cursive, flowing style.

Laura & Lucy



ABOUT THE UNDIES PROJECT

Mission

To provide new underwear to men, women and children in need to improve their lives.

Vision

Every community works together towards providing new underwear to people experiencing hardship, including clothing insecurity, so they do not have to worry about this basic need.

Values

Underwear is the most under-donated and most needed item of clothing. No one should be deprived of the simple daily necessity of clean underwear that many of us take for granted. For those who are homeless, living in shelters or who are on a low income, underwear is a necessity not a luxury.

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PARTNER AGENCIES

914 Cares - NY

Alpha Community Services - CT

Brewster Cares NY - NY

Bridgeport Rescue Mission - CT

Building One Community - CT

Career Closet Westchester - NY

Children's Home of Poughkeepsie - NY

CHOICE of NY - NY

Connecticut Institute for Refugees & Immigrants (CIRI) - CT

Clothes to Kids of Fairfield County - CT

CT Coalition Against Domestic Abuse (CCADV) CT

Delta Manor Men's Shelter - NY

Destiny Bound - NY

Don Bosco -NY

Eisenhower Senior Center - CT

Family Promise - NJ

Greenwich Department of Human Services - CT

Greenwich YWCA Domestic Abuse Services - CT

Harry & Julio's Place - NY

Homes for the Brave - CT

Homes with Hope - CT

Homeless Outreach Team (H.O.T) - CT

HOPE Community Services - NY

House of Good Deeds - NY

Hoving Home - NY

HS&H Outreach Services

Inspirica - CT

InStride - CT

Kids in Crisis - CT

Latin Evangelical Free Church - NY

LifeBridge Community Services - CT

Lifting Up Westchester - NY

Malta House - CT

Malta Outreach - CT

Neighbor to Neighbor - CT

New Covenant Center - CT

One Love Outreach Mission - NY

Open Doors Shelter - CT

Pacific House - CT

Pam's Place - NY

Person to Person - CT

Project Renewal, Marsha's House - NY

Project Connect - CT

Room to Grow Preschool - CT

SAFE in Hunterdon - NJ

Sidewalk Samaritan - NY

St. Dominic's Homeless Outreach - NY

The Bridge - CT

The Salvation Army - CT

The Sharing Shelf - NY

The Thomas Merton Center - CT

Walk of Hope Foundation - NY

Westhab Inc - NY

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CORPORATE & COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Bloomers Intimates

Evelyn & Bobbie

First Bank of Greenwich

Glamorise Foundation

GWBB

Inside the Armoire

Mercury Business Associates

Panic Panties

Triumph of Europe

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OUR PROGRAMS

Underwriting Undies Community Program

Grant applications tailored to a specific partner agency who receive donations purchased with the grant awarded.

Mardi "Bra"

Initiative in February/March to coincide with Mardi Gras to collect donations of new bras.

Undie Sundays

Held throughout the year with the collaboration of houses of worship to collect new men's, women's and children's underwear.

Everyone Needs Undies Community Service Program

Rolled out to schools, groups, individuals and businesses who wish to do "in house" collection drives.

Give Back Events

Businesses holding sales on a predetermined date, donating back a percentage of sales.

Fundraiser Campaigns

Annual Online Spring Fundraiser, Annual Fall Fundraiser (Hilarity for Charity 2022); mailed Annual Appeal

2022 - 2023 AT A GLANCE



Number of underwear & bras donated out

84,800



Number of underwear & bras donated out since our inception

498,500



Mardi "Bra"
Donations of new bras

630



Volunteers - regular and part time

38



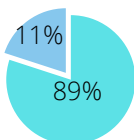
Grants - Underwriting Undies Program

\$13,500



Donations received and raised

\$81,750



Percentage of donations received that are distributed to partner agencies.

89%

INCOME STATEMENTS

FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS

Fall Fundraiser
Hilarity for Charity

\$35,000

Online Campaign
GotUndies?

\$3,000

Give Back Events

\$2,000

Annual Appeal

\$14,000

COMPANY EXPENSES

Underwear Purchases

\$57,300

Administration

\$3,500

Fundraising

\$7,900

DRIVES & EVENTS IN 2022-2023

Christ Church Norwalk - Undie Sunday
Diamond Hill United Methodist Church, Cos Cob - Mother's Day underwear collection
Evelyn & Bobbie - "Buy One, Donate One" Event
First Congregational Church of Old Greenwich - Mother's Day underwear collection
Greenwich Bank & Trust - in house bra drive
Greenwich Women's Golf Club - Swing Fore Hope - underwear collection
J.McLaughlin, Greenwich - Give Back Event
Mamaroneck United Methodist Church - Undie Sunday
Mardi "Bra" - online bra drive
NAPO-CT (National Association of Professional Organizers CT) -underwear collection
Saugatuck Church, Westport - Undie Sunday
St. Bridgets of Ireland & St. Maurice, Stamford - Undie Sunday
St. Catherine of Siena & St. Agnes, Riverside - Undie Sunday
United Methodist Church of Westport & Weston - bra and underwear collection
WECO Hospitality - Give Back Event

OUTREACH IN 2022-2023

Greenwich Town Parade - Marched in inaugural parade
Greenwich Town Party '21 - Outreach table at event
Trinity Serves Fair - Outreach table at event
Westport Sunrise Rotary Club - Presentation to members

THE UNDIES PROJECT HAS EARNED THE CANDID 2023 PLATINUM SEAL OF TRANSPARENCY



SUPPORTERS OF THE UNDIES PROJECT

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Stephan Bernard
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Greenwich Bank & Trust
Greenwich Rotary Foundation
Greenwich Sentinel

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How do you go about getting new undies

What's your game plan for stocking up on fresh undies?



Guys there is an organization, called The Undies Project that distributes new underwear to agencies that support the homeless, people living in shelters or who have a low income



Praise for an Amazing Organization!
The Undies Project has been a lifesaver for me! With their support, I no longer have to stress about purchasing pricey bras, which means I can allocate more funds towards buying food.

