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Furniture Assist Announces New Clothing Mission

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Furniture Assist is well known to the community. We are a 501(c)3 that accepts donations of new and gently-used furniture, appliances and household goods from individuals, groups, organizations, corporations and public and private sources. On Sundays, from 1 to 3 p.m., we hold distribution for prescheduled and pre-screened clients. At their appointment, clients come to select items free of charge.

We have always accepted clothing, but it has not been a main focus of our organization. After Superstorm Sandy, in collaboration with the First Congregational Church of Westfield, the Reformed Church of Highland Park, and the employees of Alfonso's Family Trattoria, Father Ronald Pollock of St. John's Episcopal Church, and the Lincoln Hose Company 4 (all of Somerville), we successfully delivered approximately 250 bags of clothing into the disaster areas within 10 days. We were proud to be of service with these fine organizations and to be thanked by Governor Christie. It pointed out the importance of having clothing available immediately when people are in need.

Dawson Yeomans founded Furniture Assist in 2004. Since then, it has been part of his dream to have a clothing mission, where Furniture Assist would be among the first to provide clothing to those in need, whether in crisis or as part of daily life. We hope for the continued support of the community as we develop this new mission. Volunteers are needed to sort, label and inventory clothing on Mondays, Wednesdays and Sundays. In addition, we need volunteers to help distribute clothing on Sundays when clients come for their appointments. To volunteer or help in another way, call (973) 868-6007 or visit our website, www.furnitureassist.com. Furniture Assist thanks you for your continued generosity.