

Daimler donation benefits Gladstone Clothes Closet

A \$1000 contribution from Daimler Trucks North America will enable the Gladstone Community Clothes Closet to purchase new socks, underwear, and warm winter jackets to help 50 youths in need this winter.

The Clothes Closet is located in a portable on the north side of the Gladstone High campus, 18800 Portland Avenue, accessible via Nelson Lane. The facility -- like the new food pantry next door -- is both open Thursdays from 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. The volunteer-run Clothes Closet is run by five churches in the Gladstone Ministerial Association.

“The back-to-school rush depleted our sock and underwear supply, so this is just what we needed,” said project coordinator LaRae Applebee.

Earlier this fall, Daimler contributed a \$7,000 grant to technology programs at Gladstone High School, known for its strong robotics program.

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Children’s Books donated to Gladstone kids

Twice this fall, The Clackamas Bookshelf has surprised families at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families, providing free book giveaways to over 150 preschool and kindergarten children before or after school.

“Every child should have books at home,” said project leader Katy Preston. “This boosts the odds that children will have someone read to them, making them better readers by the time they reach third grade.”

To donate used children’s books to the organization, email katy.preston10@gmail.com. The organization, housed at Gladstone’s Kraxberger Middle School, also seeks volunteers to clean donated books.

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Gladstone High seeks alumni success stories

Gladstone High School is seeking stories of successful GHS graduates in an effort to motivate and inspire current students as they consider their own future. A display with graduate background information and photos will be featured in the school to showcase the success of GHS alumni and the range of education and career options open to today’s students.

To be included in the Alumni display, an individual must be a graduate of GHS who has gone on to any successful career. Self-nominations and family member nominations are welcome.

“Whether you found success through a university education, a military career, elected office, or apprenticeship, we want to hear your story,” explained Communications Coordinator Leslie Robinette. “Our goal is to include a wide variety of roles, from skilled trades or white collar professions to the arts or community service jobs.”

Nominations can be submitted by December 31 via an on-line form:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NominateAlum>. For more information, contact Leslie Robinette at robinettel@gladstone.k12.or.us.