

Catherine's Closet-Gowns and Scholarships

Every high school girl has dreams of attending their prom in style, and Catherine's Closet helps girls achieve their dreams. Since 2002, Catherine's Closet distributed 16,000 gowns from Ralph Lauren, Vera Wang, and Jessica McClintock to girls in the New York/ New Jersey area. Dressy dresses for women are available for sale on distribution day. Over \$40,000 in scholarships were awarded to students who completed a minimum of 15 hours of community service with our organization. Catherine's Closet Clubs in Montclair High School and Westside High School in Newark, NJ meet biweekly to strategize gown collection and advertising the distributions. Over 20 girls are on track for a scholarship. Catherine's Closet is a not-for-profit organization founded by Sandra Kessler in memory of Catherine Johnson, an East Orange high school student at Clifford Scott High School who was tragically killed.

Gowns are available for all students and adults for \$10 on Saturday, May 11 at 550 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. No ID required. For more information visit the website at www.catherinescloset.org. or call 973-616-2060.

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