

Charity Assistance Guidelines

Mission Statement:

New Hope Thrift Store is a non-profit organization whose mission is to create funds from your donated goods to spread the Love of Jesus both locally and internationally. We desire to be a positive influence in the community by creating a shopping experience where value is promoted – both in product and in people.

Thank you for helping us spread the good news of the Gospel and Christ's love.

Guidelines:

- 1. New Hope Thrift Store was founded by New Holland Mennonite Church as a way to create funds to support underfunded ministries in connection with the church, as well as to create an avenue of connection & support to the local community of Batesburg-Leesville, SC.
- 2. We ask that all supported charities acknowledge and support our mission and the statement of faith contained in the New Hope Thrift Policies.
- 3. It is strongly preferred that all supported charities be a 501c3 organization, a local church project (i.e. Food Pantry, Mission Trip), or a local school or school foundation. In limited circumstances the New Hope Thrift Store Board may approve support of a small, local non-profit organization which is not a 501c3 and has annual operating expenditures of less than \$10,000.
- 4. For support of local charities, priority will be given to organizations located the Batesburg-Leesville zip code. In limited circumstances, the NHTS Board may approve an out-of-district organization.
- 5. Local Charities requesting support must complete a New Hope Thrift Store Charity Assistance Application, including all required attachments.
- 6. Each applicant organization must be approved by action of the NHTS Board prior to receiving support. The board has sole authority to determine which applicant it will or will not support.
- 7. It is the intent of New Hope Thrift Store to provide charitable disbursements on a quarterly basis.
- 8. All charities must involve humanitarian aid and not the aid of civil rights or animals.
- 9. No organization will receive more than 20% of its annual operating budget in donations from New Hope Thrift Store.
- 10. Each supported charity is encouraged to publicly acknowledge support they receive from New Hope Thrift Store. This can be done through the charities' newsletter, website, news release, etc. As part of this acknowledgement, each charity is encouraged to request that its constituents provide support for New Hope Thrift Store via donations, personal patronage and volunteering.
- 11. The Board will approve a tentative roster of supported organizations for the following year at the October Board meeting annually. The Board may add organizations to or delete them from this roster at any time.

These guidelines were adopted by the New Hope Thrift Store Board in April of 2023 and are subject to revision by the Board at any time.