

GR Diversity and Inclusion Association (GRDIA) Clothing Drive

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The Glen Ridge Diversity and Inclusion Association (GRDIA) is excited to partner with our Home and School Associations and the GR Public Library for a town-wide clothing drive from December 6th-10th.

The GRDIA's two sister groups, the GR Pan Asian American Association (GRPAAA) and the GR Black Diversity and Inclusion Association (GRBDIA), are working with two specific organizations who will benefit from your donations.

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) of Elizabeth, NJ, is in need of **new and gently used coats**, which they will distribute to Afghan refugee families resettled in Passaic, Hudson, and Union counties. The IRC was first founded at the request of Albert Einstein in 1933, and since then they have helped people upended by conflict and crisis to survive, recover, and regain control of their lives. The Afghan families who will receive your donated outerwear will experience their first winter in New Jersey. Thank you for working with us to share the warmth!

The Isaiah House of East Orange, NJ, is in need of **socks and underwear** for their clients. The mission of Isaiah House is to reduce the prevalence of homelessness, hunger, and unemployment throughout Essex County. Isaiah House is the only shelter in East Orange, NJ, and provides temporary and permanent lodging, food, social services, and financial services. Isaiah House has been a part of the Essex County community since 1988.

Collection bins will be placed in every school in our district as well as the GR Public Library. There will also be collection bins at the front doors of four homes in town: 37 Douglas Rd., 108 Hawthorne Ave., 416 Ridgewood Ave., and 401 Forest Ave.

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