



For immediate release

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BRIDGES OF AMERICA AND MEN'S WEARHOUSE PARTNER FOR NATIONAL SUIT DRIVE

Professional clothing drive helps work release inmates find employment and regain confidence

Ft. Lauderdale, FL — Bridges of America, a system of therapeutic, life-changing communities that provide work-release and transition programs for male and female inmates transferred from Florida's prisons, is partnering with Men's Wearhouse for the fifth annual National Suit Drive, the nation's largest collection of gently used business attire. Together, they are encouraging residents in the greater south Florida community to transform their unwanted businesswear into a fresh start for inmates in work release programs who are seeking employment for the duration of their sentences that will continue through their release.

Through July 31, Bridges of America is joining with approximately 200 other nonprofit organizations to locally distribute the items collected at more than 900 Men's Wearhouse locations around the U.S. Items being collected include men's and women's suits, shirts, jackets, ties, belts, and shoes. Locally, donations of gently used items are being accepted at:

BAL HARBOUR SQUARE

1638 N. FEDERAL HIGHWAY
FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33305

RAMBLEWOOD SQUARE

1203 N UNIVERSITY DR
CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33071

SOMMERSET SHOPS

8903 W. GLADES ROAD BAY, L 7-9
BOCA RATON, FL 33434

BROWARD MALL

8000 W BROWARD BLVD #820
PLANTATION, FL 33388

LOEHMANN'S FASHION ISLAND

18707 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD
AVENTURA, FL 33180

PALM SPRINGS MILE

1190 W. 49TH ST. #300
HIALEAH, FL 33012

SHOPS AT BROWARD

8110 WEST BROWARD
BOULEVARD
PLANTATION, FL 33324

PEMBROKE LAKES MALL

11401 PINES BLVD.
PEMBROKE PINES, FL 33026

CORAL GABLES

350 MIRACLE MILE
CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

CORAL SQUARE MALL

9561 WEST ATLANTIC BLVD.
CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33071

PEMBROKE CROSSING

12202 PINES BLVD.
PEMBROKE PINES, FL 33026

MIAMI, FL

1650 NW 107TH AVE
MIAMI, FL 33172

SAWGRASS MILLS: OUT BLDG

12605A W. SUNRISE BLVD.
SUNRISE, FL 33323

TOWN CENTER @ BOCA RATON

6000 GLADES ROAD #1113
BOCA RATON, FL 33431

BOYNTON PLAZA

379 NORTH CONGRESS AVENUE
BOYNTON BEACH, FL 33436

BOYNTON BEACH MALL

801 NORTH CONGRESS AVE #397
BOYNTON BEACH, FL 33426

KENDALL TOWN & COUNTRY

8722 MILLS DR. #A12 & A13
MIAMI, FL 33183

SOUTHLAND MALL

20505 SOUTH DIXIE HWY #941
MIAMI, FL 33189

DADELAND MALL

7535 N KENDALL DR SPACE #1060
MIAMI, FL 33156

ROYAL PALM BEACH, FL

2335 STATE RD 7, SUITE 500
WELLINGTON, FL 33414

CROSS COUNTY PLAZA

4256 OKEECHOBEE BLVD.
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33409

DOWNTOWN DADELAND

7268 SW 89TH ST
MIAMI, FL 33156-7805

MALL @ WELLINGTON GREEN

10300 W FOREST HILL BLVD #244B
WELLINGTON, FL 33414

LEGACY PLACE

11295 LEGACY AVE. STE. 110
PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL 33410

“We are thrilled to partner with Men’s Wearhouse and are grateful to their customers for the donations of professional attire for our men in work release programs at The Broward County Bridge in Ft. Lauderdale and The Turning Point Bridge in Pompano Beach,” said Lori Costantino-Brown, CEO of Bridges of America. “We provide re-entry programs, transitional support, and job training ... suitable clothing for interviews and to wear to work completes what our inmates need to better prepare for re-entry to society and the workplace. We are very appreciative for the support shown through the National Suit Drive.”

Nationally, Men’s Wearhouse is on track to collect more than 110,000 articles of professional clothing to benefit charities like Bridges of America. For every suit donated, Men’s Wearhouse will give two business ties to the cause. As a thank you, donors will receive a coupon for 50% off all regular-priced items (excluding shoes) for their next Men’s Wearhouse purchase, as well as a tax receipt.

For more information, visit www.BridgesofAmerica.org and www.NationalSuitDrive.com.

About Bridges of America

Bridges of America has a 32-year successful history as the oldest criminal justice substance abuse treatment provider for adult male and female offenders in the State of Florida. The program was established on the holistic approach to recovery, and predicated on the 12-Step Model. Its unwavering purpose has been a commitment to providing thousands of felony offenders the opportunity for rehabilitation and reintegration into their communities as law-abiding and tax-paying citizens.

Bridges of America was founded by Frank Costantino, an ex-felon who served a 22 ½ year prison term for burglary and other related crimes. Upon his release, Frank founded "Christian Prison Ministries" to share the Gospel with other prisoners. In 1980, Frank opened up the first "after-care" resident program in Orlando to provide that bridge. What started as a local ministry has now parlayed into a worldwide vision that serves over 1000 men and women daily. Lori Costantino-Brown, Frank’s daughter, now continues to provide the vision and leadership of Bridges of America. In Florida, multiple Bridges facilities are located in Orlando, Bradenton, Broward, Auburndale, and Jacksonville. **We believe people can change.**

For more information, visit www.bridgesofamerica.org

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About Men's Wearhouse

Founded in 1973, Men's Wearhouse is one of North America's largest specialty retailers of men's apparel, with 1,162 stores. The Men's Wearhouse, Moores and K&G stores carry a full selection of men's designer, brand name and private label suits, sport coats, furnishings and accessories and Men's Wearhouse and Tux stores carry a limited selection. Most K&G stores carry a full selection of women's apparel. Tuxedo rentals are available in the Men's Wearhouse, Moores and Men's Wearhouse and Tux stores. Additionally, Men's Wearhouse operates a global corporate apparel and workwear group consisting of Twin Hill in the United States and Dimensions and Alexandra in the United Kingdom.

For additional information on Men's Wearhouse, please visit the Company's websites at www.menswearhouse.com, www.kgstores.com, www.mooresclothing.com, www.twinhill.com, www.dimensions.co.uk and www.alexandra.co.uk

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