

### The Sewing Labs

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#### We've Moved!

Our new address is 526
Campbell Street, KCMO
64106. We are loving the new neighborhood!
Interested in checking out our new space?

Click here to schedule a tour



# THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED WITH THE FACE MASK PROJECT!

While Covid-19 has impacted all of us, it has not stopped us from joining together to support our community. Through the help of staff and volunteers, The Sewing Labs has successfully created and donated or distrubuted over 60,000 masks! We want to thank all of you who participated in making this a very successful project.

#### What's Next?

While we continue to make masks, we are ready to transition volunteers to our next project, the Pillow Case Project, where we join together to make and gift pillowcases to those in need during the holiday season. Now more than ever, we recognize that many seniors are isolated in senior citizen homes, unable to connect with loved ones due to COVID-19. In delivering beautifully crafted pillowcases to senior citizen homes, we hope to not only provide a gift to someone who might be lacking, but we also hope to provide a connection by letting them know they are appreciated and cared for.

Interested in volunteering for the pillowcase project?



#### Back to School

We are excited to announce that classes are ramping up at the end of September!

Due to COVID-19 we are keeping class sizes small and following necessary protocols to ensure everyone's safety.

Availability is limited so sign up ASAP!

Click Here To View Classes & Events Calendar

Download September/October Calendar

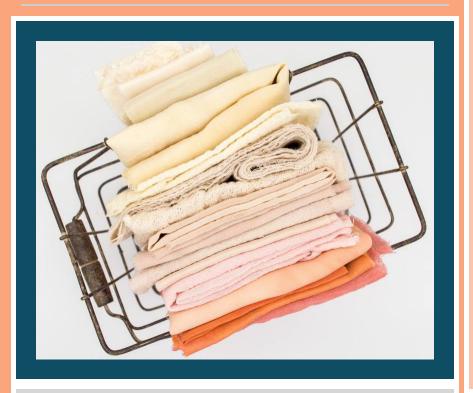


## Calling All Volunteers!

Volunteers are integral to our organization. We are so grateful for their passion Click here to complete the volunteer signup form

OR

Click here to email us about getting involved with this project



#### **FABRIC GRAB**

We hosted our 4th Fabric Grab on Saturday, September 12th.

The event was a great introduction to meet our neighbors in our new Columbus Park location!

We sold over 700 pounds of fabric

We gave away over 1000 pounds of fabric

30 sewing machines found new homes

137 people registered, and many more than that attended the event

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS WHO
HELPED MAKE THIS FABRIC GRAB A FUN AND
SUCCESSFUL EVENT!

\*IMPORTANT - NEW PROCEDURES
FOR VOLUNTEERS\*

and commitment to our mission.

If you are interested in joining our amazing group of volunteers, please let us know what interests you!

Or consider one of our immediate need positions:

<u>Virtual Assistants</u> We need a volunteer to help us manage audio and visual equipment for our online classes.

<u>Classroom Helpers</u> We are looking for volunteers to help prepare for and assist with sewing classes.
Classroom helpers should have some experience with industrial or domestic sewing machines.

Click here to view more volunteer opportunities!









Here at TSL we recognize the seriousness of keeping our volunteers, staff and students safe - more specifically minimizing the spread of COVID-19 when coming into the lab.

You will now notice two tablets at the entrance. Upon entering please sign in on the tablet, take your temperature, and wear the name tag that will print out after completing the check-in procedure. Please check-out upon your departure.

This process will help us not only with contact tracing, but will also help us track volunteer hours, ultimately helping us maintain our non-profit status and request more money via grants!

Click here to learn more about our re-opening plan and what we are doing to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 at TSL.

Download our September/October Calendar of Events



#### **INDUSTRIAL SEWING MACHINES!**

Thanks to the Kauffman Open Inclusion Grant, we were able to purchase 9 industrial sewing machines and sergers. Sign up for classes with Cali Roberta to have access to these beautful new machines!



#### WISH LIST

- Hand Sanitizer
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Disposable Gloves
- 45 mm Rotary Cutter Blades (Olfa Preferred)
- 60 mm Rotary Cutter Blades (Olfa Preferred)
- Ziplock Bags Two Gallon
- Quilt Batting

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#### **Our Mission**

#### Job Skills Training

To inspire hope in vulnerable populations of individuals marginalized by generational poverty, addiction, immigration and/or incarceration, through jobs training, creative sewing arts and networking.

We teach to interrupt the cycles of generational poverty and addiction through job skills training, community formation, entrepreneurship and perpetuation of the sewing arts.

#### Community Connections

To make connections with other agencies, organizations or businesses in the Kansas City marketplace. These connections form a supportive and nurturing community of diverse individuals to build everyone up while developing referrals, job opportunities and more.

#### Legacy of Sewing

To build and support interest in the legacy of sewing, fabric and fiber arts through participation with the greater community and to pass it from generation to generation.

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