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THIS CHRISTMAS THE ARC OF ANCHORAGE WANTS TO CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS

Anchorage: Christmas is just hours away. If you are like some of us, your closets are packed to the rafters and bursting at the seams. Instead of forcing your new fashion wear or household gadget in with the old, you can donate new and gently used items to The Arc of Anchorage. Our new online system makes donating easier than ever.

New to The Arc of Anchorage is an online scheduling system. Point your browser to www.thearcofanchorage.org and fill out the online form. A donation specialist will contact you to schedule a time and date to pickup your items. If you prefer the old system, you can call 337-6390 to speak with a donation specialist or drop off your items in one of our bins located throughout Anchorage.

Trucks will be in your neighborhood after Christmas to pick up donations. The Arc of Anchorage accepts clothing, personal items, and small household appliances. Visit our website or call our number to schedule a pickup. Then pack it up, label it with "Arc," and place it outside.

Your donation supports programs serving Alaskans who experience developmental disabilities, mental illness, or deafness.

Founded in 1957 by a group of parents, The Arc of Anchorage's goal is to ensure people who experience disabilities, mental illness, or deafness have the opportunity to lead rich, full, satisfying lives as valued members of our community. The Arc of Anchorage has a full array of services available to people across the lifespan from birth through old age. The Arc of Anchorage recognizes each person has specific dreams, ambitions and interests, as well as aptitudes and abilities apart from the disability he/she experiences. Services are tailored to meet the needs and goals of each person.

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