

# Residence Clothing Swaps

An event in collaboration between the RSL's  
and RA's of freshman dorms

## Resident Sustainability Leaders (RSL's)

- Support students in learning sustainable habits
- Collaborate with Res Life
- Host sustainability - related events for residents
- Support the sustainability department in current endeavors

# Collaboration with Residence Life Staff

This is the main responsibility of RSL's, since they are living within freshman dorms

- Go to Res Life meetings regularly to relay/receive updates
- Form relationships with members of the Res Life Staff
- Host events and socials together, leveraging connections

# Collaborations

Tabling Events

Waste Sorting Pilot

Plant Giveaway

Clothing Swaps



# Clothing Swap Overview

- Gather unwanted clothes from the residents (1 - 2 weeks)
- Organize a pickup day (or days) with clothes displayed
- Have residents come by and thrift clothes
- Afterwards, donate leftover clothes



# Variations of the Event

## Warren Towers Round 1:

- Took place around the Thanksgiving break
- Drop-off period was a week long
- Pick-up period was a single day after break (all day)

## Warren Towers Round 2:

- Taking place after spring break
- Drop-off period two weeks
- Pick-up period will be three days, evenings only

## West Campus Round 1:

- Took place right before spring break
- Drop-off period was about a week long, but boxes were left out during pick-up
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- Pick-up was 4 days between 9am-12pm and 6pm-9pm



# Successes

## Warren Towers:

1. Received over 300 articles of clothing
2. Over 100 people came to pick up clothing
3. Redirected most clothing, sent remaining clothing to the Queer Activist Collective

## West Campus:

1. Received around 100 articles of clothing
2. Over 80 people participated
3. All clothing will be donated



# For Next Time

## Warren Towers:

More intense vetting of clothing

Snacks not needed

Possibly allow for pick-up and drop-off during the swap

Need more than one day of pick-up.

## West Campus:

Collaborate even more with RA's, ask them to volunteer for pick-up shifts

Larger drop-off bins

Clearer labels and signage at pick-up





# Tips for Collaboration with Res Life

## Choose 1 - 3 main collaborators

- Work directly with 1 - 3 people (RA's, GRA's, Hall Directors)
- Help channel the work

## Leverage connection between RA's and residents

- Ask them to bring residents to events
- Spread the word
- Take off some workload

## Advertising

- Have a strong advertisement campaign at least a week before the event

## **Incentives!!!**

- Make it convenient for RA's to collaborate/participate
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Questions for us :)

