

“I have a job interview next week and need the right clothes.”

“I just got hired as a nurse’s assistant! The employer wants me to wear scrubs.”

“I am going to training as a cook and need black pants, white shirts and non-skid shoes.”

**Need clothing for job interviews,  
training or work?**

**We have what you need!**

**Erie County Assistance Office  
is pleased to announce a  
new partnership with  
Mercy Center for Women  
to provide your work clothing needs.**

## **Looking Your Best**



**PA Working Wardrobe  
Erie County**

### **What is PA Working Wardrobe?**

PA Working Wardrobe, provided by The Mercy Center for Women is an opportunity for you to receive clothing to help you succeed in the workplace.

At The Mercy Center for Women you will receive the individual attention of your own personal clothing consultant who will spend about an hour with you to make sure you look your best at a job interview, first day on the job or in training.

PA Working Wardrobe will help you with the items you need to start employment or participate in a training program such as:

- ✓ Clothing
- ✓ Shoes
- ✓ Hosiery and undergarments
- ✓ Accessories such as jewelry and purses, as available
- ✓ Hair and Make up tips, as available

### **What do I need to do?**

1. Contact your case manager at your training program, or your County Assistance Office (CAO) and ask for help with the clothing you need to go on a job interview, accept a job or participate in training.
2. Your caseworker/case manager will explain the benefits you will receive from PA Working Wardrobe and will make a referral and/or schedule an appointment for you.
3. Your caseworker/case manager will give you a copy of the referral form to take with you to the appointment.
4. Go to The Mercy Center for Women and meet with a personal clothing consultant who will help you select interview clothes, or the specific type of clothing that you need for training or employment so you look your very best on the job or as you attend training to prepare for work.

### **Do I still get a \$150 clothing allowance?**

No, going to The Mercy Center for Women is instead of the \$150 clothing allowance. Here you will have the potential to receive better quality clothes for employment and training than you could buy with the cash allowance.

**PA Working Wardrobe provided by The Mercy Center for Women is your clothing allowance.** If you do not want to go to The Mercy Center for Women, you will not receive any other clothing benefit.

### **Where is The Mercy Center for Women located?**

**The Mercy Center for Women  
1051 E. 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
Erie, PA 16504  
(814) 456-0733**

This address is also on your referral form. The Mercy Center for Women is on Bus Route # 26.

### **What else do I need to know?**

1. Arrive on time for your appointment.
2. You may not bring your children, family or friends along with you.
3. If you cannot make the appointment, or you are running late, please call and tell the staff at The Mercy Center for Women at **(814) 456-0733**. You may need to reschedule your appointment.
4. You must have a confirmed appointment.
5. Take the referral form with you – if you did not receive a copy of the referral form prior to your appointment, bring a photo ID.
6. Your appointment will take about 45 minutes.
7. Please do not bring food or beverages.
8. Proper behavior is expected at all times.