



The Change Connection

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Our Website:

www.suitedforchange.org

About Us:

Suited for Change was founded in 1992 to help disadvantaged women get jobs by providing them the tools they need to confidently present themselves in interviews & in their new jobs.

Suite PurSuit Save the Date

Save **May 13, 2009** for Suite PurSuit, the **17th anniversary celebration and auction** benefiting Suited for Change. Enjoy the finest food, fashion and frolic in the city. **Thanks to Booz Allen Hamilton & SAP, our Presenting Sponsors.** Early sponsorships information available at www.suitedforchange.org.

Wish List

We are especially in need of the following items:
Shoes - Sizes 10 and larger
Professional Attire - Sizes 18 and larger
Cash - Like every business, we need to pay our rent, our staff, insurance, supplies and other business expenses. Unlike other businesses, our services are provided *free of charge*. Your generosity is appreciated and necessary to continue providing valuable programs and services to local women.

Dear Tyna,

Looking out my window, I see the changing colors of Fall - from green to yellow, orange and red. Fall is a time for change and each day, I witness the change that Suited for Change makes in the lives of local disadvantaged women.

Barbara Mickens, our 15,000th client, talked with Alison Starling, WJLA reporter, about the impact Suited for Change has had on her life. See and hear the whole story at <http://www.wjla.com/news/stories/1008/560409.html>.

Your support gives Barbara and hundreds of women each year, the tools to change their lives and help their families. Give generously; change is beautiful.

Tyna Gaylor, Executive Director director@suitedforchange.org

SAP Month of Service

A team of 15 SAP volunteers transformed SFC's boutique and office space in 3 short hours --- painting the entry energizing SFC **RED**, repairing and installing our closet system to display attire, assembling benches for the client waiting area, cleaning blinds and organizing files.

SAP also supports SFC's Professional and Life Skills Development workshops, which provide clients with soft skills to increase their employment potential.

Xerox Certification

Xerox Corporation has partnered with SFC to offer a four week course that certifies local disadvantaged women in the use of Xerox equipment. At the first session, women received a 36 page guide to current jobs that use these skills. These jobs pay twice the minimum wage, offer advancement potential and an opportunity to escape entry level wages.

Suited for Change celebrates Xerox and their efforts that make a difference to the women in our community.

Contact Michell Yorkman, SFC Director of Client Education michell@suitedforchange.org if your organization is interested in working with SFC to prepare women with specific job skills.

Booz Allen Women's Forum

The Booz Allen Women's Forum hosted a Resume Writing workshop that provided each participating woman with one-on-one assistance with her resume. One participant excitedly called us the next week to say that her improved resume had increased responses to her applications and she owed her progress to the women of Booz Allen!

Shop & Search for Suited!

Shop at favorites like Macy's, Overstock, Amazon, Banana Republic, Bloomies, Target and many, many more who participate through GoodShop by giving percentages up to 30% to the charity of your choice. Do your holiday shopping at www.GoodShop.com or consider a tribute gift directly to Suited for Change.

www.GoodSearch.com, a search engine powered by Yahoo, allows you to good search to benefit SFC. Support SFC when you search & shop.



The economic downturn will disproportionately impact unskilled and entry level workers who will find it even more difficult to take the first step up the career ladder. SFC's Professional & Life Skills Development workshops can make the difference in their ability to provide for themselves and their families.

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