



Uta Halee Academy recognizes that when a young woman leaves the Rite Way Shelter, Uta Halee Academy or Life Tracks Transitional Living Program, she may not have the essentials she will need. To assist with this, UHA staff and the members of the Community Advisory Board started collecting donations of gently used clothing, shoes, hygiene items and housewares that are kept in an on-campus “closet” until transitioning youth are in need of them.

Students who are preparing to transition out of the program can schedule an appointment with the Director of Student Services, Jessica Russell, to “shop” and select the items they need. As a result of the closet, students have been able to transition back home or to an independent living situation with the clothing, hygiene items and housewares they need- items that, when lacking, make the transition process difficult.

Additionally, youth from the Life Track Transitional Living Program have also been able to select professional dress clothes and shoes for job interviews. UHA wants to make sure all of their students are getting the tools they need, be it big or small, that will help them to have a successful journey.