

CONNECTICUT QUEST *for* PEACE



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EARTH ANGELS... You can find them in the Connecticut Quest for Peace Warehouse. Bill Evans is probably the first person who comes to mind. But as wonderful as our Bill is, he is not our only angel. There is a dedicated group of women who are there at least two days each week. Binti Bana, an unassuming and hardworking volunteer, has been organizing the warehouse for years! But two+ years ago, Mimi Canepari came to our door and asked if we would be interested in setting up a thrift shop. She brought experience and a team of angels. The Store has expanded our local footprint because we offer quality donated clothing, shoes, housewares, and decorations to our neighbors at very reasonable prices. Carefully selected items are well organized, making shopping easy. Even more astonishing, in just two years the Store has raised \$12,000 which has helped us send humanitarian aid to our grassroots partners.

Giving new immigrants a helping hand is something Bill has always done. Now we are beginning a collaboration with Connecticut Institute for Refugees and Immigrants (CIRI) to better serve those who have recently arrived. Our new neighbors will not only be able to select the items they need, but they will have the opportunity to choose things they truly like. This simple act preserves a sense of dignity.

Recently, many organizations have reached out with requests. The Mercy Center needed winter clothing, Ukraine relief efforts required medical supplies, and communities in Appalachia needed clothing and housewares. Additionally, we have also been fortunate to fulfill requests from local Bridgeport agencies for books, items for people experiencing homelessness, and work-appropriate suits and dresses, to name just a few. Sharing and recycling are values we put into practice every day.

The CT Quest Warehouse Store is a small pebble creating countless positive ripples. We feel blessed to be able to serve those in need in the Americas – both far & near. Our earth angels are truly God sent, but we could not do what we do without your support. Our supporters are our other Earth Angels!

With gratitude,

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EARTH ANGELS... not only volunteer their time and their organizational skills, but they also brought tables, shelving, plastic drawers and more so that they could create their bit of heaven on earth.

