

The Women's Center of Fayetteville

Empowering * Counseling * Educating * Promoting Self-Sufficiency

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Women's Business Center Launches Membership Program



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Thank you to our December Morning Coffee sponsor,

Jean Wagner of
Royal Essex Group

Success x's TOO!



A Row of Purls owned by Barbara Blackmon and based in Stedman, announces the opening of their downtown store. The home store is the only yarn shop within a 50 miles radius and wanted to expand to Fayetteville. A Row of Purls Too opened as a vendor in the WCOF's new resale store, Unruly at 114 Hay St. At the new store, operated by TammySue Davis, there are knit-a-thon lunches on Tuesdays from 11:30-12:30 and private lessons offered. Come in and see the wool, alpaca, corn bamboo, soy, kelp and many other fillers, and you will see that "it's not your grandma's yarn"!



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Getting The Job... How To Impress Your Interviewer

- 1. Be early.** Bosses do not like people who are late, and they aren't likely to cut you some slack for being late because you were fixing your hair to look great.
- 2. Turn off your cell phone** Bosses want to see that you are serious about working for them, they don't care to hear your brand new ringtone.
- 3. Dress to Impress.** You need to dress differently for an interview than you would for a night out. Be crisp, clean and keep accessories to a minimum.
- 4. Be Prepared.** You will need to take a hard copy of your resume, all past employment history and a list of references. Don't tell a prospective employer that you will get back to them.
- 5. Show enthusiasm and interest.** Everybody likes it when you're interested in them. Act like you are.
- 6. Ask about them.** Ask questions about the responsibilities of the job, the working conditions, etc. Don't immediately ask how much you will be paid.
- 7. Elaborate when answering even if asked a yes/no question.** Nobody likes a conversation partner who doesn't add to the conversation.
- 8. Find a way to stay in touch.** Get a business card. Send a thank you to all interviewers. This means written cards, no emails, make it personal.

If you've been out of the workforce for a little while and need some tips to jump back in, contact the **New Choices** It is designed to help women effectively market themselves and find their perfect job.

Home Sweet Home

Whether restricted by finance or circumstance, the dream of a home is elusive to some people. The Women's Center of Fayetteville offers those exact people a way to reach that goal with affordable housing. The Lease-To-Home program at the Center assists people with low to moderate income and provides the opportunity for safe and affordable housing in great neighborhoods in Cumberland County. Veterans, disabled citizens and domestic violence victims have priority in applying for the housing and all applicants **MUST** attend a mandatory orientation.

•Income qualifications are \$18,000 to \$34,000 per year depending on the number of occupants. The housing month rent **DOES NOT** include utilities.

•There are (4) one bedroom, 1 bath units available with a rent of \$365 per month. Two apartments will be wheelchair accessible. The maximum number of occupants is two people.

•There are (2) two bedroom, 1 bath units available with a rent of \$437 per month. The maximum number of occupants is three people.

For more information, please contact Chris Gonzales at The Women's Center of Fayetteville at (910) 323-3377.



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UNRULY

offers a variety of vintage clothing such as jeans, boots, dresses, shirts and jackets with a modern day flair. All donations and proceeds of clothing sales benefit The Women's Center of Fayetteville.