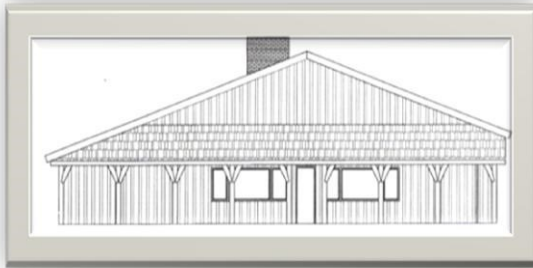


**The Opportunity Shop is Assisting our Community in Many Ways....**

- ◇ Vouchers and cash grants generated from store proceeds are being distributed to other local non-profit groups.
- ◇ Free clothing is available for anyone and is located in a bin outside the store.
- ◇ Organizations in Dubois, including the Senior Center, K-8 and High School, Kiwanis Club, Dubois Youth Activities and more are receiving free goods from the Opp Shop for special needs and events.
- ◇ Excess clothing has been sent to other Thrift Stores and charities, not just in Fremont County, but in Wyoming towns such as Sheridan, Cheyenne, Denver Colorado, and as far away as Mexico have also received items.
- ◇ Residents benefit from having a place where low- cost/free clothing and household goods are available or otherwise hard to find.



Since the start of our Grant Program (2010) we have provided the community with

**\*Over a Quarter of a Million Dollars - in Grant money!**

**\*110,000.- pounds of clothing FREE**

**\*\$210,884.13 in Discounted/Free merchandise.**

**\* Over \$24,000.00 in cash donations to others.**

*(We are currently have 2 Grant Cycles per year)*

The result : Over 50 local organizations and charities have benefited from the shops operation.  
Customers save when shopping with us and help support our mission.

**Community Working For Community**

**OUR MISSION**

- "To serve the community of Dubois and the Upper Wind River Valley by receiving donations of quality merchandise and offering it for sale at affordable prices in a clean and welcoming environment;
- To serve those in need by donating sale proceeds to local charities and non-profit organizations in the form of grants and vouchers;
- To provide a safe and supportive atmosphere for volunteer participation and pre-employment training for youth and other community members;
- To encourage recycling of quality used goods and the creative utilization of discarded merchandise."

**The Opportunity Shop**

Come on in, say hello and see what's new at the Opp Shop!



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**The Opportunity Shop**



**OFFERING A LARGE SELECTION OF MERCHANDISE**

**CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR OF ALL SIZES, HOME DÉCOR, TOYS, GAMES, JEWELRY, HARDWARE, SPORTING GOODS, KITCHENWARE, BED & BATH, LINENS, FURNITURE, HOME IMPROVEMENT, GARDENING, ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & SO MUCH MORE!!**

You're sure to find what you're looking for!



New items are added daily so come on in and see what's new at the Opp Shop.

Located in the heart of Dubois, WY, we are a non-profit thrift shop, offering gently used merchandise at affordable prices. We receive wonderful donated items from community members. Our profits are gifted back to the community in the form of grants and vouchers. These grants help improve the lives of our community and surrounding area residence. We take pride in Dubois and hope you find it as enjoyable as we do.

1 South 1st St. P.O. Box 161  
 Dubois, WY 82513



## A SPECIAL KIND OF THIFT SHOP

### HISTORY

An annual Episcopal Church Rummage Sale was recorded as early as 1924, but the yearly Opportunity sale started in the 1940's. For 60+ years the St. Thomas Episcopal Church women, along with community volunteers, collected donated items and held an annual *Opportunity Sale*. It was a wildly popular, 3-day event and people came from miles around to shop for things they needed, and for bargains too. The proceeds from the sale were then donated back into the community to help individuals and other non profit organizations.

The sheer volume of items that were processed and sold at the sale prompted the idea of creating a year-round thrift store. It was felt that the community would be better served if donations could easily be dropped off anytime, and shoppers did not have to wait a whole year to purchase important clothing, household, and outdoor goods.



The thrift store idea grew and soon St. Thomas Church had purchased the gas station adjacent to the church. The station was remodeled, and the Opp Shop opened its doors in May of 2006.

The renovation loan (\$70K) was paid off in just 3 years. In 2009 we received some very generous cash donations which made the much needed expansion project become a reality. The addition now present on the east side of the building was constructed by a team of volunteers and was open to the public in Feb. 2011. Now just as over 70 years ago, the shop continues it's mission of giving back to the community.

The Opportunity Shop is not just a building on the corner, but a group of dedicated people who reach out to the community in a range of unique ways. The store is being expertly run by a team of devoted employees and volunteers who believe in the Opp Shop's mission and purpose.

**Open: Tuesday- Saturday**  
9am-5pm

*We make a living  
By what we do,  
But we make a life  
By what we give  
Winston Churchill*

*Based on the philosophy—*

*..if we all share what we have,  
we will all have enough..*

#### Where do we get our items?

The store is supported by generous and continuous donations of new and used merchandise and supplies, received from local individuals, families, businesses and organizations.

### FREQUENTY ASK QUESTIONS

#### What do we sell?

\* Clothing & shoes for all ages (We ask that clothing be clean prior to delivery).

\* Household Items: collectibles, antiques, kitchen glassware, cookware, bake ware, crafts & sewing supplies, books, toys, games, music, movies, jewelry, gardening & camping items, and furniture. Small countertop appliances such as toasters, coffee pots, griddles, etc. are accepted. All items must be stain free and/or in working order.



**Is there any items you do not accept?** We do not accept old TV's (but do accept Flat screens), Computers, printers, fax machines, tires, hazardous materials such as gas, oils, paints, & stains, We also do not accept large appliances. If in doubt about your donations, please call us.

**Are my donations tax deductible?** YES. We are a 501c3 and receipts are available for tax purposes.

**When can donations be dropped off?** Donations can be dropped off anytime during normal business days from 9am-4pm. When you arrive, please drop off items at the North side of the building and knock on the double doors for assistance. Items left unattended encourage theft and may be damaged by weather, so we ask that you please do not drop off donations without assistance.

**Where do the proceeds of the sales go?** All income, after expenses, go back to the community in the form of Grants. We keep our expenses to a minimum and have great volunteers who help run the shop which enables us to produce a higher profit for gifting. *Please see back panel of this brochure for additional information on this topic, or visit our website @ opportunityshopdubois.org*



## EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED



For such a small town, Dubois has much to offer. We have so many great organizations and businesses who are ready and willing to lend a

helping hand whenever the need arises. It is the people behind these businesses and organizations, along with many private citizens who have made Dubois what it is today.

Most businesses employ 1-5 individuals, while the organizations have many wonderful community member who volunteer their time selflessly to bring various activities and events to our little town.. Some organizations, such as the Opp Shop, concentrate on "outreach" while others concentrate on youth, the elderly, wildlife, animal well being, economic improvements and advertising. When you put them all together (over 52 organizations) you get DUBOIS!

Dubois is a place like no other. A place where clear skies, mountains, red cliffs, rivers and streams. all come together. It is a place, where no matter what your income, religion, or personal status may be, you will feel welcomed. We're proud of our community. Whether you're a residents or a visitor, we hope your experience in Dubois is a memorable one. Stop by the Chamber office or website for more information and links to all that Dubois has to offer, then get out there and grab a little bit of the "Dubois Experience".

**Community Working  
for Community!**

**We're living proof... It works!**

*All Things Are  
Possible to him*

*Who believes Mark 9:231*

