Tour

Brenda Mott, Founder and Executive Director of ScrapsKC, provided a tour of the organization’s retail outlet. The organization’s mission is to reuse and repurpose materials that would otherwise be landfilled, support teacher’s with needed school supplies, and to provide opportunities for the homeless of Kansas City.

In summary:

- The store offers reusable materials for sale. The store’s available inventory is based on donations. Some items are typically always in stock, such as: art supplies, cardboard and tubes, craft supplies, fabric/yarn/notions, office supplies, paper, and party goods Many items cannot be found in other stores and are discounted 20-80% compared to for-profit retail stores.
- The store features a Make-and-Take space. The $5 fee allows users to independently create using materials and supplies from the store.
- The Design Center is available for 60-minute slots during store hours. The center is equipped with sewing machines, overhead projectors, jewelry making tools, light table, book binding machine, Circuit Cutter, and other small machines. Users can bring their own supplies or purchase materials from the retail space.
- The organization offers events and activities for groups such as birthday parties, school field trips and scouting workshops.
- For those needing a little guided inspiration, the store offers a variety of classes for creating art from reused materials.

ScrapsKC also received district grant funding to develop a Precious Plastics recycling system. Brenda demonstrated two of the components that have been completed: the shredder and the extruder. The remaining components are expected to be delivered shortly. The system will be used to demonstrate the recycling process.

Old Business / New Business

None.
Closing

The next Executive Board meeting will be held July 17 (11:00 am – 1:00 pm). The next Management Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 21, from 9:00 am – 10:30 am at the Missouri Organic facility in Liberty.

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