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The Benefit Shop Opens Thursday

Good news for shoppers who love vintage home goods: a new shop opens today at 10 a.m.

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Now for some good news. After the disheartening [column I wrote yesterday](#) on three local business closings on one short block in Katonah, I'm pleased to share a positive business story.

The Benefit Shop will have its Grand Opening today, starting at 10 a.m. at 720 Bedford Road between the Carvel store and The Bedford Bagel Bakery. It's Pam Stone's reincarnation of the Feathered Nest, which she previously operated across the street in the Shop Rite Plaza. We wrote about its [opening](#) and [closing](#).

Stone says the 2700 square foot showroom and 1600 square feet of storage space is already bursting at its seams with home furnishings, china, crystal, objets d'art and fine clothing and textiles. She plans on having the store open 7 days a week, 10-5.

Her drive and business savvy and mission are really impressive. She was working under the nonprofit auspices of the Northern Westchester Hospital Foundation but has now acquired her own 501 (c) 3 so that the store can benefit other charities as well. She says the number of really cool causes is inspiring.

"I just love the missions of [Open Door](#), The Food Pantry, Boys and Girls Club, even the library. And my dream is to support them all with this store," she said. One of her inspirations is the incredibly successful [Housing Works](#) in NYC. The Benefit Shop's tagline is "donate, discover, do good," and Stone plans to donate all proceeds to community organizations throughout the area.

She notes that the space is being donated by the owner of the business complex at 720 Bedford Rd. Want to help her in her mission? She's taking donations. You can reach her [via email](#) at and check out her [Facebook page](#).

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