

'Dump 'n' Run' event raises funds for local charities

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Alfred University's first attempt at "cashing in" on items students' have traditionally left behind when leaving campus for the summer added up to success, say organizers. On May 23 and 24, the University hosted a "Dump 'n' Run" event to raise money for several organizations on the campus and in the community. "Dump 'n' Run" takes place on many campuses across the country. Before students left campus they were asked to place items they either didn't want or couldn't fit into their cars into designated areas. These items were then put up for sale in Davis Gym. Any items that did not sell were donated to charitable organizations for distribution to families in need. Non-perishable food items were given to local food pantries. Nancy Freelove, "Dump 'n' Run" coordinator, chair of the AU Support Staff Council, and Performing Arts Division secretary, said "Dump 'n' Run" collected and sold at least four dumpsters full of "stuff" and 65-70 bags of clothing. This project made a profit of over \$600, all of which was donated to GreenAlfred (an on-campus organization focused on saving energy and making students more aware of ways to recycle and help the environment), AU Habitat for Humanity, the Hornell Humane Society, and the AE Crandall Hook and Ladder Co., Alfred. "Thank you to Residence Life for the cooperation we received. Thanks to 'Tim' at College Suppliers for donating the posters. My personal thanks to Council members and others who volunteered many, many hours picking up, sorting, and selling."