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Event to Benefit the Cleveland County Potato Project

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – This week, hundreds of on-campus residents of Gardner-Webb University will begin packing up their residence hall rooms as the spring semester comes to a close. Instead of throwing away unwanted items, the GWU Office of Community Engagement is hosting an end-of-year Yard Sale on Saturday, May 11 from 8 a.m. to noon as a benefit for the Cleveland County Potato Project.

According to Community Engagement Coordinator Stephanie Capps, the purpose of the event is to encourage students to donate items instead of trashing them. “Each year, tons of trash is generated as students prepare to leave campus,” Capps said. “Since one person’s trash is another person’s treasure, the sale offers a perfect opportunity to reduce residence hall waste and help a very worthwhile community organization at the same time.”

The Cleveland County Potato Project (CCPP) is a non-profit charitable organization that plants, grows, and harvests white and sweet potatoes in several areas throughout Cleveland County and then distributes the potatoes to people in need. Officials with CCPP say that with the right support and facilities, they could eventually provide white potatoes for a period of 12 or more weeks per year and enough sweet potatoes to last one year.

The Yard Sale will take place outside of the Gardner-Webb Communication Studies Hall building along Main Street in Boiling Springs. Items that will be available for purchase include lamps, carpet, décor, clothes, dishes, small appliances, and more. Members of the community are encouraged to come check out the sale.

“We want people to remember that 100 percent of the proceeds will go to the Cleveland County Potato Project, so they should come out and be ready to shop,” Capps shared.

For additional information about the event or to learn more about how to participate, contact the GWU Office of Community Engagement at 704.406.2135.

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