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## Reuse and Recycling Directory

A resource guide for items not destined for the landfill

The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) provides the *Green Pages Reuse and Recycling Directory*, a useful resource for residents seeking outlets for items they no longer need.

The *Reuse and Recycling Directory* lists reuse opportunities for books, clothing, office equipment, sporting goods, toys and other materials. This guide also provides information on various aspects of recycling and waste, featuring sections for appliances, batteries, construction debris, electronics, office machine cartridges, metals, motor oil and many other items.

There are also online avenues to divert materials from the waste stream such as [freecycle.org](http://freecycle.org), [craigslist.org](http://craigslist.org) and [ebay.com](http://ebay.com) that are used to post items to be purchased or picked up for free. Other helpful online sites include:

- [1800recycling.com](http://1800recycling.com) – finds recycling locations near your zip code
- [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) – provides recycling options for whatever item you specify
- [ecyclingcentral.com](http://ecyclingcentral.com) – provides electronics recycling locations
- [digitaltips.org](http://digitaltips.org) – supplies responsible electronics information and recycling locations

Help us spread the word! If you find a new reuse or recycling source or learn about a change in the information we have provided, please contact SWANCC staff at [info@swancc.org](mailto:info@swancc.org) or call (847) 724-9205, x9. Thank you for your help!

ALUMINUM – see METALS

ANTIFREEZE – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS



## APPLIANCES

Arrange for pickup of old appliances with the store before the purchase of new appliances. Many retailers will remove them free of charge at the time of the delivery. Many haulers and scrap dealers will pick up appliances, but most assess fees for the service.

### *Abt Electronics*

**1200 N Milwaukee Ave**, Glenview  
(847) 967-8830

**abt.com**

Thursday – Saturday: 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

- Free recycling on all LG, Panasonic, Samsung, Sharp, Sony, Toshiba and Zenith electronics.
- All TVs - free
- All computers, fax machines, VCRs, and DVD players - \$5
- Refrigerators - \$29
- Built-in Refrigerators - \$49
- All Other Appliances - \$20 (includes microwaves)
- Air Conditioners - \$15
- All Other Small Electronics - \$10
- Batteries – \$0.30 per pound

Abt also recycles cardboard, white polystyrene (styrofoam) and plastic packaging material. Please bring your recyclables to the freestanding building located just west of the main building.

### *Best Buy Appliance and TV Pickup*

**bestbuy.com**

Best Buy will remove and recycle two appliances or large TVs for \$100 (\$20 per additional unit). Removes appliance or TV free when a replacement Best Buy product is delivered.

### *Everlights, Inc.*

**9901 S Torrence Ave**, Chicago  
(773) 734-9873

**everlights.com**

Accepts computer and electronic equipment, lamps, ballasts and microwaves. Also accepts batteries and thermostats. Call for pricing.

### *Joe's Scrap Metal Pickup Service*

**2169 N Natchez**, Chicago  
(773) 851-9020

Pickup service available. Call Joe Perez for pricing information.

### *Salvation Army*

**•250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 577-2828

**•6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove  
(847) 581-0590

**•4335 Oakton**, Skokie  
(847) 983-8197

**usc.salvationarmy.org**

Appliances in good working condition only. Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off appliance donations.

Also accepts bicycles, clothing, musical instruments, books, working television sets, working computers and monitors, and furniture in good condition.

Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.



## APPLIANCES continued

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### *Seattle Coffee Gear*

(866) 372-4734

[seattlecoffeegear.com](http://seattlecoffeegear.com)

Recycles any brand coffee maker. Mail to:

Seattle Coffee Gear Recycling

6911 216<sup>th</sup> Street SW

Lynnwood, WA 98036

### *Steel Recycling Institute*

1-800-YES-1-CAN (937-1226)

[recycle-steel.org](http://recycle-steel.org)

Call or visit the website for a recycler near you.

### *Sims Metal Management*

**2500 S Paulina**, Chicago

(773) 254-1200

[mtlm.com](http://mtlm.com)

Large quantities only.



## ASBESTOS

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**For any questions related to asbestos management or removal contact:**

### *Illinois Department of Public Health*

(217) 782-5830

[idph.state.il.us](http://idph.state.il.us)

### *Small Business Environmental Assistance Helpline*

(800) 252-3998

### *Illinois EPA Environmental Helpline*

(888) EPA-1996 (372-1996)

[epa.state.il.us](http://epa.state.il.us)



## AUTOMOBILE DONATION

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### *American Lung Association of Greater Chicago*

(800) 583-4425

[giveacar.org](http://giveacar.org)

### [habitat.org](http://habitat.org)

Accepts cars, trucks, boats and RVs.

### *Lambs Farm*

(847) 990-3749

[lambsfarm.org](http://lambsfarm.org)

### *Habitat for Humanity Cars for Homes*

(877) 277-4344

Accepts cars, trucks and RVs.



## **AUTOMOBILE DONATION** continued

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### *Winnetka Congregational Church*

#### *Rummage Sale*

(847) 446-0575

Drop-off location at Pine and Lincoln is open 7 days a week: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Furniture pickups may be scheduled on Fridays. No large appliances, exercise equipment, office or baby furniture. Accepts cars and boats. Call first for specifics.



## **AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS**

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### Arlington Heights:

#### *Dakota Auto Repair and Tire*

**3450 N Old Arlington Heights Rd**

(847) 398-4645

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.50 per tire.

#### *O'Reilly Auto*

**75 W Golf Rd**

(847) 758-9539

Accepts oil and car batteries at no cost.

#### *Pep Boys*

**375 E Rand Rd**

(847) 577-8494

Accepts oil, antifreeze and car batteries at no cost; \$2.50 per tire.

### Barrington:

#### *Reber Auto Service Inc.*

**417 W Main St**

(847) 381-4467

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.50 per tire.

### Chicago:

#### *Chicago's Permanent Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St, Chicago**

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business/commercial sector waste)

Accepts auto fluids (used motor oil, gasoline, antifreeze) and car batteries.

### Elk Grove Village:

#### *Elk Grove Marathon Service*

**1195 Rohlwing Rd**

(847) 301-0058

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.50 per tire.



## **AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS continued**

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### **Evanston:**

#### ***400 Super Service***

**1310 Sherman Ave**

(847) 869-5560

Accepts oil, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.00 per tire.

#### ***Duxler Car Care Center***

**2620 Green Bay Rd**

(847) 475-5400

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$2.00 per tire.

#### ***The Auto Doctor***

**2116 Ashland**

(847) 491-9600

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.00 per tire.

### **Glenview:**

#### ***C&M Auto Service***

**835 Milwaukee Ave**

(847) 724-6311

Accepts oil, oil filters, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$1.75 per tire.

#### ***Six J's***

**601 Greenwood Rd**

(847) 729-4050

Accepts antifreeze and car batteries at no cost; oil at \$0.25/gallon; \$2.00 per tire.

### **Hoffman Estates:**

#### ***Acorn Tire***

**100 E Higgins Rd**

(847) 882-0600

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.50 per tire.

### **Lincolnwood:**

#### ***Jiffy Lube***

**4019 W Touhy**

(847) 674-2322

Accepts oil and antifreeze at no cost.

### **Morton Grove:**

#### ***Harlem Shermer Service***

**9021 Harlem**

(847) 965-4388

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost.

#### ***Just Tires***

**9246 Waukegan Rd**

(847) 965-2757

Accepts tires at \$3.00 per tire.

### **Mount Prospect:**

#### ***Autozone***

**1735 W Golf Rd**

(847) 718-1841

Accepts oil and car batteries and gasoline at no cost.

#### ***Just Tires***

**102 E Rand Rd**

(847) 392-8181

Accepts tires at \$2.50 per tire.

#### ***O'Reilly Auto Parts***

**1 E Rand Rd**

(847) 398-3203

Accepts oil at no cost.

#### ***US Automotive***

**101 E Rand Rd**

(847) 577-6525

Accepts oil and car batteries at no cost.



## **AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS continued**

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### **Niles:**

***Niles Marathon Service***

**7300 Waukegan Rd**

(847) 647-8186

Accepts car batteries at no cost.

***Oil Express***

**8430 W Dempster St**

(847) 827-0500

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.50 per tire.

***O'Reilly Auto Parts***

**97 Civic Center Dr**

(847) 673-470-1317

Accepts oil and car batteries at no cost.

### **Palatine:**

***Advanced Automotive***

**300 W Colfax St**

(847) 776-3566

Accepts oil, antifreeze and car batteries at no cost; \$2.00 per tire.

***Busch Auto Service***

**137 S Northwest Hwy**

(847) 358-1234

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$2.00 per tire.

***Palatine Shell Service***

**7 E Palatine (& Plum Grove Rd)**

(847) 358-4299

Accepts oil, antifreeze and car batteries at no cost; \$2.00 per tire.

### **Park Ridge:**

***Kris Touhy Amoco***

**1220 W Touhy Ave**

(847) 823-0344

Accepts car batteries at no cost; oil and antifreeze at \$1.00 per gallon; \$2.50 per tire.

### **Rolling Meadows:**

***Ray's Auto, Inc.***

**3001 Kirchoff Rd**

(847) 255-8511

Accepts car batteries at no cost; \$2.00 per tire.

### **Skokie:**

***Golf-Crawford Auto Service***

**9555 Crawford Ave**

(847) 679-8862

Accepts oil, antifreeze and car batteries at no cost; \$5.00 per tire.

***Oakton & Hamlin Auto***

**3800 Oakton St**

(847) 673-3278

Accepts oil, antifreeze, car batteries and gasoline at no cost; \$3.00 per tire.

***Interstate Batteries of Chicagoland***

**8056 N Central Pk**

(847) 673-6993

Accepts car batteries at no cost.



## AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS continued

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### Wheeling:

#### *Checkpoint Tire*

**723 W Dundee**

(847) 541-2122

Accepts car batteries at no charge; oil at \$2/gallon and tires at \$3-\$9 per tire.

#### *Jiffy Lube*

**10 E Dundee Rd**

(847) 229-9203

Accepts oil at no cost.

### Winnetka:

#### *Fred's Winnetka Service*

**574 Green Bay Rd**

(847) 446-3025

Accepts oil, car batteries and gasoline at no cost.



## BATTERIES

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SWANCC has established a **Battery Recycling Program** at [swancc.org](http://swancc.org) for alkaline and rechargeable batteries for member communities. Alkaline batteries may also be disposed of safely in the garbage.

### All Batteries:

#### *Abt Electronics*

**1200 N Milwaukee Ave**, Glenview

(847) 967-8830

**abt.com**

Thursday – Saturday: 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

\$0.30 per pound

No car batteries.

Abt also recycles cardboard, polystyrene (styrofoam), appliances, batteries, plastic packaging material and electronics. Please bring your recyclables to the freestanding building located just west of the main building.

#### *Batteries Plus*

•**1212 East Central Road**, Mount Prospect

(847) 818-0659

Accepts all batteries, except alkaline.

•**409 S. Rand Road**, Lake Zurich

(847) 550-6545

**batteriesplus.com**

Accepts all batteries free of charge.

Batteries Plus will test and do diagnostics on any batteries free of charge. They also rebuild cordless power tool batteries.



## BATTERIES continued

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**cityofchicago.org**

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Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business/commercial sector waste)

Accepts all types of batteries.

This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

**Everlights**

**9901 S Torrence Ave**, Chicago

(773) 734-9873

**everlights.com**

Accepts all batteries for a fee.

**Car Batteries (Lead- Acid Batteries):**

See also **Automotive Products**.

**Checkpoint Tire Centers, Inc.**

**723 W Dundee Rd**, Wheeling

(847) 541-2122

**Illinois Battery Specialists**

**2456 W Irving Park Rd**, Chicago

(773) 478-8600

**Interstate Batteries of Chicagoland**

**interstatebattery.com**

**8056 N Central Park**, Skokie

(847) 673-6993

Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Accepts lead acid, alkaline, Ni-Cd, and lithium batteries at no cost.

**Hearing Aid/Watch Batteries (button cell)  
(Lithium Ion/Mercury Batteries):**

See Ni-Cd Section or check with a jeweler, watchmaker or retailer that replaces watch and hearing aid batteries.

NOTE: Lithium/Ni-Cd batteries are usually accepted at IEPA Household Chemical Waste collection events. Refer to the **HCW Information** section for the one-day collection location nearest you.

**Nickel-Cadmium Batteries (Ni-Cd)\*:  
Cordless/cellular phones, camcorder,  
power tools, rechargeable household  
batteries and laptop batteries**

NOTE: Many Ace, Best Buy, Lowes, Motorola, OfficeMax, RadioShack, Sears, Staples, Target, US Cellular, Verizon and Wal-Mart locations accept Ni-Cd rechargeable batteries.

**Best Buy**

**bestbuy.com**

Recycling kiosks at all stores for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, inkjet and toner cartridges and wires, cords and cables.





## BATTERIES continued

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### *Lowe's*

[lowes.com](http://lowes.com)

Partners with Call2Recycle and accepts any rechargeable batteries up to 11 pounds at no charge at in-store recycling centers.

### *Millen Do It Best Hardware*

**1219 Wilmette Ave**, Wilmette

(847) 251-3060

Accepts rechargeable batteries at no charge.

### *Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (Call 2 Recycle)*

(800) 822-8837

[rbrc.org](http://rbrc.org)

Type in zip code for participating locations.

Businesses, retailers and schools may participate. Does not accept alkaline, lithium, non-rechargeable or wet-cell batteries.

Also recycles cell phones.

### *Shaver Shop*

**1609 Maple Ave**, Evanston

(847) 869-7755

Accepts all batteries except car batteries.

NOTE: Many Sears Automotive Centers, K-Mart, Sam's Club, and Wal-Mart stores will accept car, motorcycle, boat, sump pump and tractor lead-acid batteries (check local phone directory for their exact locations). Also check with a boating store for boat and sump pump battery recycling.



## BICYCLES/ CHAINS/TIRES

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### *Ciclo Urbano*

**2459 W Division**, Chicago

(773) 772-4870

[ciclourbanochicago.com](http://ciclourbanochicago.com)

Donate old bikes to fund and support youth bike programming in Chicago area. Call to arrange drop-off or request a pickup.

### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights

(847) 670-7311

[amazinggoodwill.com](http://amazinggoodwill.com)

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers. No mattresses or box springs.



## BICYCLES/ CHAINS/TIRES continued

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### *The Recyclery Collective*

**7628 N Paulina**, Chicago

(773) 262-5900

**therecyclery.org**

Operates educational programs and donates bikes to those in need. Call first to donate used bikes, bike parts, tools and office supplies.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights

(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove

(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie

(847) 983-8197

**usc.salvationarmy.org**

Also accepts clothing, musical instruments, books, working television sets, working computers and monitors, and furniture and appliances in good working condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.

### *Working Bikes Cooperative*

**workingbikes.org**

Provides bikes to charity organizations in Chicagoland area, and ships bikes to countries in which they are the primary mode of transportation.

Drop-off sites:

•*Alberto's Cycles*

**661 Central Ave**, Highland Park

(847) 432-0015

•*Campbell Street Bicycle Shop*

**13 W Campbell St**, Arlington Heights

(847) 222-7887

•*Green Bay Cycles*

**999 Green Bay Rd**, Winnetka

(847) 446-7433

•*Higher Gear*

**1898 N Sheridan Rd**, Highland Park

(847) 433-2453

•*Prospect Bikes & Trains*

**506 E Northwest Hwy**, Mount Prospect

(847) 259-4569

•*RRB Cycles*

**562 Green Bay Rd**, Kenilworth

(847) 251-7878

•*Village Cycle Sport*

**1313 N Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights

(847) 398-1650

•*Dan Thompson's House*

**2518 W Lake Ave**, Glenview

(847) 998-0647

### **Bike Chains:**

### *Resource Revival*

**resourcerevival.com**

Resource Revival recycles bike chains to create new products. See website for locations and mail-in information.



## BOOKS

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**Donation:**

Local libraries, senior citizen centers and nursing homes often have exchanges or take donations.

***Book Rescue (SCARCE)***

**799 Roosevelt Rd, Bldg 2, Ste 8,**

Glen Ellyn

(630) 545-9710

**scarcecoed.org**

Sponsored by SCARCE (School and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education). SCARCE's shelves display over 25,000 books. Schools or organizations working with children in need are welcome to choose books free of charge.

SCARCE also collects the following for proper reuse/recycling: cell phones, printer cartridges, crayons, American flags, clothing, buttons, safety pins, eyeglasses, keys, LP records and license plates. Also see "Education" section on website to donate school and office supplies Please call ahead.

***Goodwill Industries***

**1551 N Dryden Ave,** Arlington Heights

(847) 670-7311

**amazinggoodwill.com**

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, furniture, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS). No refrigerators or washers/dryers.

***Open Books***

**1740 W Webster,** Chicago

(312) 475-1355, x115

**open-books.org**

Sales of donated books support literacy programs for students of all ages. Put books in drop box at address listed or see website for other donation alternatives.

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**usc.salvationarmy.org**

Also accepts clothing, musical instruments, bicycles, working television sets, working computers and monitors, and furniture and appliances in good working condition.

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**Resale and Recycling:*****Bookman's Alley***

**1712 Sherman Ave (Rear),** Evanston

(847) 869-6999

Hard cover only.

***Bookmarks***

**718 E Northwest Hwy,** Mount Prospect

(847) 869-6999

Hard cover only.



## BOOKS continued

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### *North Park Village Recycling Station*

**5801 N Pulaski**, Chicago

(773) 821-1351

[resourcecenterchicago.org](http://resourcecenterchicago.org)

9:00 am – 5:00 pm daily

Book mobile – Donate and/or take books.

Also accepts aluminum and stainless steel cans; brown, clear and green glass bottles and jars; plastic bottles (#1 and #2 only); newspaper, magazines, catalogs, office paper and cardboard.

Please do not drop off materials outside of the posted hours.

### **Textbook Reuse/Buy-Back:**

#### *B&B Book Supply*

(800) 622-7986

Will pick up selected textbooks and unused workbooks published anywhere in-state.

This is a buy-back program of multiple copies of same books.

#### *Follett Educational Services*

**1433 Internationale Pkwy**, Woodridge

(800) 621-4272

[fesfollett.com](http://fesfollett.com)

A representative will provide a quote to your school to buy used textbooks and sell them to other schools. This is also an economical and environmentally sound place from which to buy textbooks.

#### *Textbook Recycling*

[textbookrecycling.com](http://textbookrecycling.com)

Buy, sell or rent textbooks. See website for details.

BRASS – see METALS

BUBBLE WRAP – see PACKAGING PRODUCTS

CANDY WRAPPERS – see MISCELLANEOUS

CAR BATTERIES – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS

CARDBOARD – see PACKAGING PRODUCTS



## CARPET/PADDING

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### *Carpet and Carpet Padding*

Many major carpet manufacturers offer exchange programs. When purchasing new carpet, ask your supplier about recycling old carpet. Freecycle ([freecycle.org](http://freecycle.org)) and Habitat for Humanity ([chicagolandhabitat.org](http://chicagolandhabitat.org)) are other options.

### **Carpet Cushions and Supplies:**

#### *Carpet Cushions*

Rebond and prime urethane padding are recyclable. Call for quote on per pound pricing. No residential pickup service.

[carpetcushions.com](http://carpetcushions.com)

•**1520 Pratt**, Elk Grove Village  
(847) 364-6760

•**3423 N Drake**, Chicago  
(773) 267-7327



## CARTRIDGES/INKJET/TONER

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Contact your local school district for donation opportunities.

#### *Affordable Inkjets*

**255 William St**, Bensenville

(630) 521-9671

Recycles inkjet and toner cartridges.

#### *Best Buy*

[bestbuy.com](http://bestbuy.com)

Recycling kiosks at all stores for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, inkjet and toner cartridges and wires, cords and cables.

#### *Cartridge World*

**2865 Pfingsten Rd**, Glenview

(847) 562-0971

**9336 Skokie Blvd**, Skokie

(847) 329-9096

[cartridgeworldusa.com](http://cartridgeworldusa.com)

Also accepts computers, monitors, printers and small electronics. Two items recycled free, \$5 each for three or more items.

#### *Funding Factory*

[fundingfactory.com](http://fundingfactory.com)

Educational and nonprofit fundraising organizations can earn funds for technology, classroom equipment and cash. Accepts inkjet cartridges, laser cartridges and cell phones. See website for registration information.

#### *Hewlett-Packard*

[hp.com](http://hp.com)

Check inside HP inkjet and laser jet cartridge boxes for return materials.

Postage-paid return shipping labels are also available on website.

#### *Laser Service*

**875 Lively Blvd**, Elk Grove Village

(847) 364-4446

[laserservice.com](http://laserservice.com)

Laser, inkjet, toner and fax cartridges.



## CARTRIDGES/INKJET/TONER continued \_\_\_\_\_

### *Midwest Laser Cartridge Corporation*

**928 N Delphia Ave**, Park Ridge

(847) 292-2274

**midwestlasercartridgecorp.com**

Inkjet, toner and fax cartridges. Also recycles printers, copiers, scanners and fax machines.

### *Office Depot*

**officedepot.com**

Get \$2 back in Recycling Rewards for each qualified ink/toner cartridge, up to 10 per month. See website for details.

### *Pogoda Computer Supplies, Inc.*

(847) 808-8984

Refurbishes laser cartridges. Large quantities only.

### *Recycle for Breast Cancer*

**recycleforbreastcancer.org**

Also accepts cell phones, printer fuser cores, PDAs, digital cameras, ipods and other MP3 players, laptops (Pentium 1 or higher only), and most storage media. Go to website for information and pre-paid shipping labels.

### *Recycle Tech Solutions*

**11235 S Cottage Grove Ave**, Chicago

(773) 821-9700

**recycletech.org**

Cash-back for select inkjet cartridges and empty printer/fax cartridges.

Also accepts cell phones, GPS units, laptops, gaming systems, Ipods and MP3 players.

### *Recycling Avenue*

(847) 951-1607

**recyclingavenue.com**

Provides support and job opportunities for the physically challenged. Accepts cell phones, smart phones, landline phones, inkjet cartridges, laptops, digital cameras, handheld games, GPS devices, radar detectors, E-book readers, graphing calculators and MP3 players. For drop-off sites, see *Recycling Avenue* listing in **Electronics Donation**.

### *Staples*

**staples.com**

Offers \$2 in Staples Rewards for select cartridges up to 10 per month. Also offers free recycling for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, PDAs, digital cameras and other small electronics. There is a small fee for computers, monitors, printers, scanners, all-in-ones and fax machines. Dell-branded items are recycled free.

CASSETTE TAPES – see MEDIA

CDs – see MEDIA



## CELL PHONES AND ACCESSORIES

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### *AT&T*

**wireless.att.com**

Website lists AT&T-operated stores and participating dealer stores for dropping off cell phones, chargers, handsets and batteries. You also have the option of downloading a postage-paid mailing label or requesting a postage-paid mailing envelope through the website. Program supports *Cell Phones for Soldiers*.

### *Best Buy*

**bestbuy.com**

Recycling kiosks at all stores for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, inkjet and toner cartridges and wires, cords and cables.

### *Cell Phones for Seniors Program*

**cookcountysheriff.org**

Sheriff Tom Dart is collecting used cell phones to distribute as 911 Emergency phones for at-risk Cook County senior citizens. Phones can be dropped off at the following locations:

Skokie Courthouse

**5600 Old Orchard Rd**, Skokie

Rolling Meadows Courthouse,

**2121 W Euclid Ave**, Rolling Meadows

### *Cell Phones for Soldiers*

**cellphonesforsoldiers.com**

Phones may be donated at AT&T stores listed on website.

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1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

### *Funding Factory*

**fundingfactory.com**

Educational and nonprofit fundraising organizations can earn funds for technology, classroom equipment and cash. Accepts inkjet cartridges, laser cartridges and cell phones. See website for registration information.

### *Lowe's*

**lowes.com**

Partners with Call2Recycle and accepts all used cell phones at in store recycling centers.

### *Motorola's Race to Recycle Program*

**responsibility.motorola.com**  
Printable pre-paid postage shipping labels are available on the website. You can also return Motorola brand cordless phones, modems and routers.



## CELL PHONES AND ACCESSORIES continued\_\_\_\_\_

### *RadioShack*

**radioshack.com**

*Trade & Save Program* provides in-store and online opportunities to sell or recycle small electronics. See website for details.

### *Recycle for Breast Cancer*

**recycleforbreastcancer.org**

Also accepts inkjet and laser toner cartridges, printer fuser cores, PDAs, digital cameras, Ipods and other MP3 players, laptops (Pentium 1 or higher only), and most storage media. Go to website for information and pre-paid shipping labels.

### *Recycling Avenue*

(847) 951-1607

**recyclingavenue.com**

Provides support and job opportunities for the physically challenged. Accepts cell phones, smart phones, landline phones, inkjet cartridges, laptops, digital cameras, handheld games, GPS devices, radar detectors, E-book readers, graphing calculators and MP3 players. For drop-off sites, see *Recycling Avenue* listing in **Electronics Donation**.

### *Sprint Stores*

**sprint.com**

Net proceeds from sales of recycled phones fund and promote free internet safety resources for kids.

Pick up free postage-paid envelope at participating stores or print one from the website.

### *Staples*

**staples.com**

Offers free recycling for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, PDAs, digital cameras and other small electronics. Also offers \$2 in Staples Rewards for select inkjet and toner cartridges (up to 10 per month). There is a small fee for computers, monitors, printers, scanners, all-in-ones and fax machines. Dell-branded items are free to recycle.

### *T-Mobile*

**t-mobile.com**

Bring your phone to a T-Mobile store or send it using a postage-paid mailing label.

### *Verizon*

**verizon.com**

Hopeline program refurbishes and recycles any brand cell phones. With funds raised, Verizon donates wireless phones and airtime to victims of domestic violence. Used phones can be returned to any Verizon Wireless store, or go to website to print free postage-paid label.

### *Wireless Alliance*

(866) 366-5791

**thewirelessalliance.com**

Value of recycled phone donated to a charity of your choice.

### *Wireless Foundation's "Call-to-Protect" Collection Program*

(888) 901-SAFE (7233)

**calltoprotect.org**

Aids victims of domestic abuse. Go to website to download a pre-paid mailing label.



CEREAL BOXES– see MISCELLANEOUS

CHIP BAGS – see MISCELLANEOUS



## CLOTH DIAPER SERVICE

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### *Bottoms Up Diaper Service*

**201 N Greenbay Rd**, Waukegan  
(847) 336-0040

**bottomsupdiapers.com**

Offers a cloth diaper service as an alternative to using disposable diapers.

### *Clean Green Nappy*

(224) 616-2779

**cleangreennappy.com**

Offers a cloth diaper service as an alternative to using disposable diapers. See website for additional information.



## CLOTHING

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Many of the shops listed also accept toys, books, jewelry, household items, small appliances and some furniture. Items should be clean and in useable condition. Call ahead for specifics.

### **Donation:**

#### *Amvets*

(708) 388-7800

**amvetspickup.com**

Call or see website for pickup service information.

#### *Avenues to Independence Thrift Shoppe*

**7710 W Touhy**, Chicago

(847) 292-0870, x771

**avenuestoindependence.org**

All proceeds from the shop support residential and work programs for developmentally disabled adults. Donations of clothing and household items accepted at the back door Tues. – Sat., 10:00 am – 3:00 pm.

#### *Bottomless Closet*

**435 N LaSalle, Lower Level 1**, Chicago

(312) 527-9664

**bottomlesscloset.org**

Accepts ready-to-wear professional women's clothing and accessories for distribution to women on assistance and working-poor women. Please call to schedule a time to drop off items.

#### *Christ Church of Winnetka*

**470 Maple St**, Winnetka

(847) 446-2850

**christchurchwinnetka.org**

Weekdays: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Weekends: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Annual rummage sale benefits 60 charities in the Chicagoland area.

Call to schedule furniture pickups.



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### *Clearbrook (Practically Perfect)*

**1815 W Central Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 577-0267

**clearbrook.org**

Clearbrook provides services to children and adults with developmental disabilities.

The store accepts donations of clothing and household items at the following times:

Monday - Friday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Call to schedule pickups of useable furniture.

### *Glenview Community Church Resale Shop*

**1000 Elm St**, Glenview  
(847) 724-2638

**gccucc.org**

Accepts clothing and small housewares during business hours.

### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 670-7311

**amazinggoodwill.com**

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), bicycles, TVs, small appliances, furniture, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS). No refrigerators or washers/dryers. No mattresses or box springs.

### *Kenneth Young Community Mental Health and Senior Services*

**1150 S Roselle Rd**, Schaumburg  
(847) 891-0978

**kennethyoung.org**

### *Lamb's Farm Thrift Shop*

**14245 W Rockland Rd**, Libertyville  
(847) 362-4636

**lambsfarm.org**

Tuesday – Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Also accepts housewares, bedding and furniture in good condition.

### *ORT Resale Store*

**800 Central Ave**, Highland Park  
(847) 433-1697

Proceeds benefit the ORT America education programs.

Also accepts housewares, books and toys. No furniture or computers.

### *Purple Heart*

**purpleheartpickup.org**

Pickup service available.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove  
(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie  
(847) 983-8197

**usc.salvationarmy.org**

Also accepts books, musical instruments, bicycles, working television sets, working computers and monitors, and furniture and appliances in good working condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.



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### *Save a Pet Thrift & Gift*

**4446 Oakton St**, Skokie

(847) 677-8805

Tuesday – Saturday: 10 am - 4:00 pm

No furniture.

### *Second Time Around*

**4123 Oakton St**, Skokie

(847) 673-3172

**shores2ndtime.com**

Benefits SHORE Community Services, which provides services for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

Please call first.

### *Sparrow's Nest*

**275 E Northwest Hwy**, Palatine

(847) 705-6852

**homeofthesparrow.org**

Provides housing and support services to homeless and low income women and children.

Accepts donations Monday – Saturday:

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

### *Thrift House of Junior League*

**920 Chicago Ave**, Evanston

(847) 328-5778

**jle-ns.org**

Monday – Saturday: 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Accepts clothing, housewares, books and small electronics.

### *Twice Blest Thrift Shop*

**27 E Northwest Hwy**, Palatine

(847) 934-1140

**misericordia.com**

Monday – Saturday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Proceeds benefit Misericordia.

Accepts clothing, housewares, books, small electronics and furniture (no pickup service).

### *Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.*

(708) 371-4418

**vvapickup.org**

Call or visit website for pickup. Clothing, shoes and household items accepted.

### *WINGS Resale*

**•8349 W Golf Rd**, Niles

(847) 965-1454

**1315 N Rand Rd**, Palatine

(847) 963-0861

**wingsprogram.com**

Call individual store or visit website for hours and type of donations accepted.

### *Winnetka Congregational Church*

#### *Rummage Sale*

(847) 446-0575

7 days a week: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Furniture pickup available on Fridays. Also accepts vehicles, cars and boats. Call for specifics.

### *Winnetka Thrift Shop*

**992 ½ Green Bay Rd**, Winnetka

(847) 446-8060

Proceeds benefit the counseling and psychotherapy program at Family Service.

**family servicewn.org**

Donations accepted:

Monday – Saturday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm



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### *Women's American Ortique Resale Shop*

**915 Chicago Ave**, Evanston

(847) 864-6099

Proceeds benefit the ORT America education programs.

Call for type of donations accepted.

Check with other donation sources:

- your township or county Human Services Department
- local shelters
- churches
- hospitals
- community organizations (Lions Club, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, etc.)
- local schools or libraries

### **Consignment and Resale Shops:**

#### *LilyJack Resale & Consignment*

**9227 Waukegan Rd**, Morton Grove

(847) 965-3330 or (800) 780-9228

**[lilyjackresale.vpweb.com](http://lilyjackresale.vpweb.com)**

Women's clothing and accessories. Also carries original artwork and home accessories. Consignment only.

Tuesday – Friday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

#### *Bearly Used Inc.*

**401 Linden Ave**, Wilmette

(847) 256-8700

Newborn/children's, teens and women's clothing. Call first.

#### *Encore Resale*

**1027 N Northwest Hwy**, Park Ridge

(847) 698-0908

Consignment only.

#### *Glen Cote Thrift Shop*

**372 Hazel Ave**, Glencoe

(847) 835-0026

Consignment only.

#### *Hand-Me Downs Inc.*

**614 Dempster**, Evanston

(847) 475-0803

Newborn to pre-teen clothing, toys, books, baby equipment. Call for appointment.

#### *New For You*

**1915 Plum Grove Rd**, Rolling Meadows

(847) 358-7899

Consignment only. Call first.

#### *USAgain*

**1555 W Hawthorne Lane**, Ste 4W, West Chicago

(800) 604-9533

**[usagain.com](http://usagain.com)**

A for-profit textile recycling company which recycles most donations as secondhand clothing. The remainder is recycled as polishing cloths or converted into fiber to be remade into recycled textile products.

See website to find a collection bin.

**COFFEE BAGS – see MISCELLANEOUS**



## COMPOSTING

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### *DK Organics*

**29307 N Skokie Hwy**, Lake Bluff  
(847) 234-5499

Accepts most organic matter including grass, leaves, brush, branches, wood chips and logs (maximum 6 feet in length). No stumps or food. Also accepts clean fill (must be separated from other organic material). Material made into compost and mulches, available for purchase.

Also see **Yard Waste** at [swancc.org](http://swancc.org).

### *Land and Lakes*

**1300 N Milwaukee Ave**, Wheeling  
(847) 825-5000 or (847) 520-1857

Weekdays: 7:00 am – 3:00 pm

Saturday: 6:00 am – 2:00 pm

Accepts freshly cut grass and landscape material for composting; you can also purchase prescreened and unscreened compost. Do not tie or put in plastic bags. Logs accepted 3-4 feet in length and up to 34 inches in diameter.



## CONSTRUCTION/BUILDING MATERIAL – DONATION

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### *Evanston ReBuilding Warehouse*

**1818 Dempster**, Evanston  
(847) 864-9246

[evanstonrebuildingwarehouse.org](http://evanstonrebuildingwarehouse.org)

Non-profit organization sells reclaimed building materials at low cost. Call for a list of accepted building materials and appliances to donate.

### *The ReBuilding Exchange*

**2160 N Ashland**, Chicago  
(773) 252-2234

[rebuildingexchange.org](http://rebuildingexchange.org)

The mission of the ReBuilding Exchange is to divert building materials from the waste stream and make them accessible to the public for reuse, protecting community health, creating jobs and saving resources.

### *Habitat for Humanity ReStore*

[habitatlc.org](http://habitatlc.org)

Accepts building materials, construction tools, pallet jacks, cabinets, siding, tile, paintbrushes. Call (847) 249-3160

(distribution center) or see website for list of donations accepted, hours of operation, and criteria for donation pickups.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove  
(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie  
(847) 983-8197

[usc.salvationarmy.org](http://usc.salvationarmy.org)

Accepts tools and supplies, not wood or building materials.

Also accepts bicycles, clothing, musical instruments, books, working television sets, working computers and monitors, and furniture in good condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.



## CONSTRUCTION/DEMOLITION MATERIAL – DISPOSAL

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### *SWANCC Residential Construction Debris/ Refuse Drop-off Program*

(847) 724-9205

Glenview Transfer Station

**1151 N River Rd**, Des Plaines

[swancc.org](http://swancc.org)

Located on east side of Des Plaines River Rd; north of Central Rd - directly across the street from Maryville Academy.

Hours: Monday - Friday: 6:00 am – 4:00 pm

Saturday: 6:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Cost for ½ ton of material or less = \$33.75;

\$67.50 per ton or more.

Only major credit cards accepted.

NOTE: Household chemical waste (paint, cleaning products, motor oil or automotive batteries), landscape waste, asbestos, asbestos roofing shingles and materials, or medical/liquid wastes are not permitted.

### *SWANCC Roll-off Program*

[swancc.org](http://swancc.org)

Rent a 10-yard roll-off for \$299.

Holds 2-4 tons of waste material. Next day delivery available. For residents only. Major credit card, check or cash accepted. Call SWANCC at (847) 724-9205, x9 to order.



## CONSTRUCTION/DEMOLITION MATERIAL – RECYCLING

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### *Crush-Crete, Inc.*

**600 S Lombard Rd**, Addison

(630) 627-1713

[crush-crete.com](http://crush-crete.com)

Accepts clean broken concrete and asphalt.

Call for pricing.

### *C&D Recycling*

**2300 Carlson Dr**, Northbrook

(847) 291-1222

[cd-recycling.com](http://cd-recycling.com)

Accepts construction and demolition debris comingled or separated, including: ferrous and non-ferrous metals, wood, concrete, brick, cardboard and roofing shingles. For information and pricing, call or email:

[nancy@cd-recycling.com](mailto:nancy@cd-recycling.com)

### *Cook County Demolition Sales*

(847) 795-9139

[demolitionsales.com](http://demolitionsales.com)

The goal of Cook County Demolition Sales is to keep as much building material out of the landfills as possible in the Chicagoland area in both commercial and residential sales. The sales are typically conducted over a weekend to allow customers to browse sales and to remove the items for purchase. All sales are conducted on the site of the property to be demolished. Demolition sales typically include all types of building materials such as: hardwood floors, windows, doors, hardwood trim, plumbing fixtures, furnaces, hot water heaters, plumbing fixtures (non-water saving toilets, tubs, sinks). Mature outdoor plants and landscaping are available at very reasonable prices.



## **CONSTRUCTION/DEMOLITION MATERIAL – RECYCLING continued**

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### ***MBL Recycling, Inc.***

**630 S Hicks Rd**, Palatine

(847) 776-1500

**mblrecycling.com**

Accepts all construction and demolition material, including metals, non-ferrous materials, concrete, brick, cardboard, wood and roofing shingles.

### ***Republic Services***

**2351 S Laflin St**, Chicago

(312) 226-1226

**alliedwaste.com**

Accepts large loads of all materials.

### ***Murco Recycling Enterprises, Inc.***

(708) 352-4111

**murco.net**

Conducts demolition auctions at houses prior to demolition or major household renovations. Redistributes items such as kitchen cabinets, appliances, bathrooms, flooring, doors, mechanicals, landscaping and more, thus diverting items destined for landfills back into the community.

**COOKIE WRAPPERS – see MISCELLANEOUS**

**COPPER – see METALS**

**CRAFTS – see MISCELLANEOUS**



## CRAYON RECYCLING

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### *Book Rescue (SCARCE)*

**799 Roosevelt Rd, Bldg 2, Ste 8**, Glen Ellyn  
(630) 545-9710

[scarceecoed.org](http://scarceecoed.org)

Sponsored by SCARCE (School and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education). SCARCE's shelves display over 25,000 books. Schools or organizations working with children in need are welcome to choose books free of charge.

SCARCE also collects the following for proper reuse/recycling: cell phones, printer cartridges, crayons, American flags, clothing buttons, safety pins, eyeglasses, keys, LP records and license plates. Also see **School Equipment** at [swancc.org](http://swancc.org) to donate school and office supplies. Please call ahead.

### *Crazy Crayons, LLC*

(800) 561-0922

[crazycrayons.com](http://crazycrayons.com)

Pack crayons securely when shipping to company. See website for instructions and shipping information.



## DAIRY BOTTLES

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### Returnable dairy bottles:

#### *Farm Fresh Home Delivery, Inc.*

**515A South Vermont St**, Palatine  
(847) 202-3955

[farmfreshdairy.com](http://farmfreshdairy.com)

#### *Oberweis Dairy Locations:*

[oberweisdairy.com](http://oberweisdairy.com)

Home delivery available.

• **9 E Dundee Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 368-9060

• **1405 Palatine Rd**, Hoffman Estates  
(847) 776-1987

• **6469 N Lincoln**, Lincolnwood  
(847) 983-4514

• **80 E Northwest Hwy**, Mt Prospect  
(847) 577-6100

• **101 S Northwest Hwy**, Park Ridge  
(847) 692-9840

• **1735 W Algonquin Rd**, Rolling Meadows  
(847) 290-9222

• **967 Waukegan Rd**, Glenview  
(847) 729-8700

DEHUMIDIFIER – see APPLIANCES

DISPOSABLE DIAPER PACKAGING – see MISCELLANEOUS



DOCUMENT DESTRUCTION – see PAPER SHREDDING/RECYCLING

DRINK POUCHES – see MISCELLANEOUS

DVDS – see MEDIA



## ELECTRONICS DONATION

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### *Assistive Technology Exchange Network*

**7550 W 183<sup>rd</sup> St**, Tinley Park

(800) 476-2836

**ucpnet.org**

A program of the United Cerebral Palsy Association. Refurbishes working and non-working computers and electronics (computers, monitors, peripherals, cell phones) for individuals with disabilities. Call for drop-off sites and collection events.

### *Free Geek Chicago, Inc.*

**3411 W Diversey**, Chicago

(773) 342-6205

**freegeekchicago.org**

Friday - Sunday: 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Not-for-profit organization recycles used computers and parts to provide computers, education and job skills training. They accept computer donations (no other electronics), which are rebuilt. What cannot be used is environmentally recycled. See website for items accepted and applicable charges.

### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights

(847) 670-7311

**amazinggoodwill.com**

Also accepts clothing, bicycles, TVs, small appliances, furniture, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers. No mattresses or box springs.

### *National Cristina Foundation*

(203) 863-9100

**cristina.org**

Supports training for people with special needs.

Accepts computers, peripherals and software from corporations and individuals. See website for donation process.



## ELECTRONICS DONATION continued

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### Recycling Avenue

(847) 951-1607

[recyclingavenue.com](http://recyclingavenue.com)

Provides support and job opportunities for the physically challenged. Accepts cell phones, smart phones, landline phones, inkjet cartridges, laptops and accessories, networking equipment, digital cameras, film cameras, handheld games, GPS devices, radar detectors, E-book readers, graphing calculators and MP3 players.

Following is a list of drop-off sites:

### Arlington Heights

Wheeling Township-Disability Dept.

**1616 N Arlington Heights Rd**

(847) 259-7730

### Buffalo Grove

**Village Hall, 50 Raupp Blvd**

(847) 459-2500

### Evanston

Civic Center Health Dept., lower level

**2100 Ridge Ave**

(847) 866-2948

### Hoffman Estates

**Village Hall, main floor, 1900 Hassell Rd**

(847) 882-9100

### Kenilworth

**Police & Rec Dept, 419 Richmond Rd**

(847) 251-1666

### Lincolnwood

**Fire Dept, 6900 N Lincoln Ave**

(847) 673-1540

### Morton Grove

**Village Hall, 6101 Capulina Ave**

(847) 965-4100

### Mt. Prospect

**Boy Scouts – foyer, 600 N Wheeling Rd**

(847) 635-7869

### Park Ridge

Avenues to Independence, reception area

**515 Busse Hwy**

(847) 292-0870

### Wilmette

**Village Hall, 1200 Wilmette Ave**

(847) 853-7501

### Winnetka

**Village Hall, 510 Green Bay Rd**

(847) 501-6000

### Salvation Army

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights

(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove

(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie

(847) 983-8197

[usc.salvationarmy.org](http://usc.salvationarmy.org)

Also accepts books, clothing, musical instruments, bicycles, working television sets, and furniture and appliances in good working condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.



## ELECTRONICS DONATION continued

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### *World Computer Exchange*

**worldcomputerexchange.org**

WCE is a global educational and environmental nonprofit organization looking for donations of working Pentium 4 or newer computers and related peripherals. Computers are sent to developing countries for use in classrooms, libraries and youth centers.

### *Youth Organizations Umbrella, Inc. (Y.O.U.)*

**1027 Sherman Ave**, Evanston  
(847) 866-1200

**youevanston.org**

Neighborhood-based program that provides academic, social and emotional support to local youth. Call or see website for items needed.



## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

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### **Electronics Disclaimer, May 2010**

In September 2009, Illinois became the 16th state to adopt an electronics recycling law known as the *Electronics Products Recycling and Reuse Act*. This legislation bans certain electronic items, mainly computers and televisions, from IL landfills. The IL EPA posts a list of approved electronic waste Collectors, Recyclers and Refurbishers at **epa.state.il.us**.

The following electronics recyclers are not an endorsement by SWANCC, simply a listing of options. It is recommended by SWANCC that you research the downstream recycling practices of any company listed prior to giving them your old electronics.

The *Federal Electronics Challenge* provides a checklist to assist businesses, municipalities, schools, etc. with the selection of responsible electronics recycling services. For more information, visit **federalelectronicchallenge.net**.

To learn about the dangers of exporting electronic waste to Third World Countries, visit the Basel Action Network at **ban.org**.

Supply-Chain Services is SWANCC's recycling contractor:

### *Supply-Chain Services, Inc. (SSI)*

**250 W North Ave**, Lombard

(630) 629-9344

**supply-chainservices.com**

Call for details and pricing.



## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING continued

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### *Abt Electronics*

**1200 N Milwaukee Ave**, Glenview

(847) 967-8830

**abt.com**

Thursday – Saturday: 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

- Free recycling on all LG, Panasonic, Samsung, Sharp, Sony, Toshiba and Zenith electronics.

- All TVs - free

- All computers, fax machines, VCRs, and DVD players - \$5

- Refrigerators - \$29

- Built-in Refrigerators - \$49

- All Other Appliances - \$20

- Air Conditioners - \$15

- All Other Small Electronics - \$10

- Batteries – \$0.30 per pound

Abt also has a trade-in program, both in-store and online. Recycle old electronics and receive Abt gift cards. See website for details: **abt.com**

Abt also recycles cardboard, white polystyrene (styrofoam) and plastic packaging material. Please bring your recyclables to the freestanding building located just west of the main building.

### *Best Buy*

**bestbuy.com**

Stores accept most consumer electronics, including TVs and monitors up to 32 inches, flat-panel TVs and monitors up to 60 inches, computers and notebooks, small electronics, VCRs and DVD players, fans, vacuums, keyboards, mice and remotes. \$10 per unit for TVs and monitors is offset with a \$10 Best Buy gift card. Trade-In program allows consumers to exchange select gently used electronics for a Best Buy gift card.

Recycling kiosks at all stores for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, inkjet and toner cartridges and wires, cords and cables.

### *Cartridge World*

**2865 Pfingsten Rd**, Glenview

(847) 562-0971

**9336 Skokie Blvd**, Skokie

(847) 329-9096

**cartridgeworldusa.com**

Also accepts computers, monitors, printers and small electronics. Two items recycled free, \$5 apiece for three or more items.

### *Chesapeake Recycling*

**1600 S US 35**, Winamac, IN 46996

(866) 946-6602

Primarily for businesses; electronic recycling and document destruction.



## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING continued

### *Chicago's Permanent Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St**, Chicago

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

**cityofchicago.org**

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

### *Com2 Computer and Technologies*

•**140 Fullerton Ave**, Carol Stream  
(630) 653-2662

•**1196 S Main St**, Lombard  
(630) 678-2662

**com2computer.com**

Free for residences, schools and non-profit organizations.

Call for information.

### *Costco*

**costco.gazelle.com**

The *Costco Trade-In Program* is a service provided to Costco customers by Gazelle.

Eligible products qualify for Costco Cash or recycling. Shipping charges are pre-paid by Gazelle. See website for details.

### *Dell Inc.*

**dell.com**

Donate any brand of computer equipment to Reconnect, a partnership between Dell and Goodwill Industries. See website for drop-off locations. You may also recycle Dell computers and peripherals free at any Staples store.

### *Gateway Trade-in Program*

**gateway.eztradein.com**

Customers can get cash for pre-owned, working technology products, or computers and electronics will be recycled using environmentally sound practices. See website for details.

### *Everlights, Inc.*

**9901 S Torrence Ave**, Chicago  
(773) 734-9873

**everlights.com**

Accepts computer and electronic equipment, lamps, ballasts and microwaves. Also accepts batteries and thermostats. Call for pricing.

### *Gazelle*

**gazelle.com**

Buys electronics. Items received with no market value are responsibly recycled. See website for information.

### *Hewlett-Packard*

**hp.com**

Get a trade-in allowance toward new HP products or donate equipment to the National Christina Foundation. You may also recycle inkjet and laser jet cartridges and rechargeable batteries. See website for details.



## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING continued

### *Intercon Solutions*

**1001-59 Washington Ave**, Chicago Heights  
(708) 756-9838 or (888) 452-5642  
**interconrecycling.com**  
Microwaves are also accepted.

### *LifeSpan Technology Recycling*

(888) 720-0900  
**lifespanrecycling.com**  
Large- and small-scale technology recycling, including computers, printers, monitors, telephone gear and fax machines. Primarily for businesses.

### *Midwest Laser Cartridge Corporation*

**928 N. Delphia Ave**, Park Ridge  
**midwestlasercartridgecorp.com**  
(847) 292-2274  
Inkjet, toner and fax cartridges. Also recycles printers, copiers, scanners and fax machines.

### *Office Depot*

**officedepot.com**  
Buy a tech recycling box in-store and fill with as many acceptable items as will fit, including CRT and LCD monitors, fax machines, desktop and laptop PCs, printers, scanners, computer peripherals, telephones, digital cameras, video cameras, VCRs, DVD players, MP3 players, small TVs, cables.

Small box	8”H x 15”D x 18”W	\$5
Medium box	20”H x 16”D x 16”W	\$10
Large box	24”H x 18”D x 18”W	\$15

### *RadioShack*

**radioshack.com**  
Trade & Save Program provides in-store and online opportunities to sell or recycle small electronics. See website for details.

### *Recycle 4 Cash*

**recycle4cash.cexchange.com**  
Cash offered for obsolete electronics. See website for value of computers, monitors, cell phones, MP3 players, cameras and more. Pre-paid shipping labels available.

### *Panasonic Corporation of North America*

**5201 Tollview Drive**, Rolling Meadows  
(847) 637-4899  
**mrmrecycling.com**

Drop off hours: Monday –Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Please park in Visitor Parking. Leave your recyclables in your vehicle and proceed to the security desk inside the main entrance. The guard will provide further instructions.

Products accepted for no fee:

- Panasonic, Technics, Quasar and Sharp branded consumer electronic products
- Toshiba branded televisions

***There may be a charge for recycling other brands or products.***

### *Sam's Club Mail-in Program*

The Sam's Club Trade-In and Recycle Program is available only to members of Sam's Club who elect to trade in or recycle any qualifying consumer electronic product currently offered by the program. Based on the configuration and condition of your item, Sam's Club will offer to purchase your item at the value displayed by the trade-in value estimator. Shipping for both trade-in and recycled items is free.

**econewonline.com**



## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING continued

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### *Samsung Recycling Direct*

**samsungrecycling.com**

Check website for information on recycling Samsung products at assorted locations.

### *SIMS Recycling Solution/United Recycling*

**1600 Harvester Rd**, West Chicago

(630) 231-6060

**simsrecycling.com**

Call for details and pricing.

### *Software Plus*

**400 W Dundee, Unit #10**, Buffalo Grove

(847) 520-1717

**sales@softwareplusnorth.com**

Accepts computers and laptops only. Call or email for pricing.

### *Staples*

**staples.com**

There is a small fee for computers, monitors, printers, scanners, all-in-ones and fax machines. Dell-branded items are free to recycle.

Offers free recycling for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, PDAs, digital cameras and other small electronics. Also offers \$2 in Staples Rewards for select inkjet and toner cartridges (up to 10 per month).

### *Supply-Chain Services, Inc. (SSI)*

**250 W North Ave**, Lombard

(630) 629-9344

**supply-chainservices.com**

Call for details and pricing.

### *Think Green From Home (Waste Management)*

**thinkgreenfromhome.com**

Delivers electronic recycling kit in choice of three sizes, with a return-shipping label. See website for prices and information about types of electronics accepted.

**ENERGY BAR WRAPPERS – see MISCELLANEOUS**



## EYEGLASSES

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Most LensCrafters and Pearle Vision stores, Wal-Mart Vision Centers and Lions Clubs accept used eyewear for donation to people in need. Check local listings for locations.

### *New Eyes for the Needy*

**[neweyesforthenedy.com](http://neweyesforthenedy.com)**

Organization purchases new prescription eyeglasses for needy children and adults living in the United States, and recycles donated glasses for distribution to indigent people overseas. See website for items accepted for donation (eyeglasses, sunglasses, hearing aids, jewelry, silverware) and mailing instructions.

**FAX MACHINES – see ELECTRONICS RECYCLING**



## FILM, TRANSPARENCIES AND X-RAYS

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### **Film:**

#### *Kodak*

**[kodak.com](http://kodak.com)**

Go to link for list of films Kodak purchases for recycling and refining.

### **Canisters (35 mm):**

#### *Jewel/ Osco Food Stores*

Some stores accept film canisters. Check local phone directory for nearest store.

### **Transparencies:**

#### *Kodak*

**[kodak.com](http://kodak.com)**

Go to link for list of films Kodak purchases for recycling and refining.  
(570) 654-5511

#### *3M*

**[3M.com](http://3M.com)**

Ship used transparency film to:  
3M Recycle Program  
c/o Gemark  
99 Stevens Lane  
Exeter, PA 18643  
or go to website for shipping label.





## FILM, TRANSPARENCIES AND X-RAYS

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#### X-rays:

Check with your local hospital to see if they recycle x-rays.

#### *Acme Refining*

**3357 S Justine St**, Chicago

(773) 523-4500

**acmescrap.com**

Call or email **info@acmescrap.com** for information.

#### *AMS Store and Shred*

*(AMS Ag Medical Systems Inc.)*

(800) 262-2344

**amsstoreandshred.com**

An authorized Kodak subcontractor, AMS recycles old x-ray, lithographic film, aluminum plates and silver flake. The company also provides document destruction services.

#### *B.W. Recycling, Inc.*

**xrayfilmsrecycling.com**

Recycles x-ray and MRI films at no charge when mailed to the following address:

B.W. Recycling, Inc.

301 W Ansin Blvd

Hallandale, FL 33009

Quantities weighing over 350 lbs will be picked up at no charge. See website for details.



## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

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Contact product manufacturer to see if there is a recycling program in effect. Fire extinguishers are under pressure, and have the potential to explode in combination with some materials. They cannot be discarded curbside and are not accepted at Household Chemical Waste collections.

Earth911 suggests disposing of a fire extinguisher as follows if it is not empty:

1. Check pressure gauge: The extinguisher should have a gauge saying whether it's overcharged, at the correct pressure or in need of a recharge.
2. Call your fire department: You might be able to exchange your extinguisher or get it recharged.



## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS continued

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### If it's empty:

1. Squeeze the lever above the handle, ensuring that all contents are discharged.
2. Remove the head: This will let whoever disposes of the extinguisher know that all contents have been removed.
3. Recycle the steel body: Once the head is removed, your community should accept fire extinguishers with the rest of your ferrous metal.

In either case, make sure to follow any instructions on the fire extinguisher.

The following are recycling options for fire extinguishers:

#### *Aurora Tri-State Fire Protection*

**1080 Corporate Blvd**, Aurora

(630) 978-0600

[auroratrystate.com](http://auroratrystate.com)

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

#### *Chicago's Permanent Household*

*Chemicals and Computer*

*Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St**, Chicago

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

[cityofchicago.org](http://cityofchicago.org)

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts small fire extinguishers, small non-refillable cylinders (NCRs) and propane tanks for BBQ grills. This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

#### *Cintas*

**1870 Brummel**, Elk Grove Village

(847) 228-3970

[cintas.com](http://cintas.com)

Recharges fire extinguishers, which may also be dropped off for disposal.

#### *Henrichsen's Fire & Safety Equipment Company*

**563 N Wolf Rd**, Wheeling

(847) 459-7877

[henrichsensfire.com](http://henrichsensfire.com)

Recharges and maintains fire extinguishers, which may also be dropped off for disposal.

#### *Reliable Fire Equipment Company*

**12845 S Cicero**, Alsip

(708) 597-4600

[reliablefire.com](http://reliablefire.com)

Recharges and maintains fire extinguishers, which may also be dropped off for disposal.

#### *U.S. Fire & Safety Equipment Company*

**6542 N Milwaukee Ave**, Chicago

(773) 763-4422

[usfiresafetyco.com](http://usfiresafetyco.com)

Recharges fire extinguishers, which may also be dropped off for disposal.



## FLAGS

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Many American Legion posts conduct “Disposal of Unserviceable Flag Ceremonies” on June 14, Flag Day. Check local directory for locations.

### *Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)*

[vfw.org](http://vfw.org)

Flags can be dropped off at some local VFW posts for proper burying/burning disposal.

[legion.org](http://legion.org)



## FLUORESCENT BULBS AND HIGH INTENSITY DISCHARGE LAMPS

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SWANCC has established a **CFL Drop-Off Program** at [swancc.org](http://swancc.org) for member communities.

Many Ace Hardware, Do It Best Hardware, Home Depot and Lowe’s stores accept compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) only for recycling. Check local listings for locations, and call individual stores for specifics.

### *Chicago's Permanent Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St, Chicago**

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

[cityofchicago.org](http://cityofchicago.org)

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts CFL bulbs and tubes.

This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

### *Everlights, Inc.*

**9901 S Torrence Ave, Chicago**

(773) 734-9873

[everlights.com](http://everlights.com)

Also accepts batteries, thermostats, computer and electronic equipment, lamps, ballasts and microwaves. Call for pricing.

### *Fluorecycle, Inc.*

**27780 W Concrete Dr, Unit A**

Ingleside, IL 60041

(815) 363-4411

[fluorecycle.com](http://fluorecycle.com)

Can recycle all types of mercury-containing lamps including fluorescent, HID, UV, CFL and specialty lamps. Call for pricing.



## FLUORESCENT BULBS AND HIGH INTENSITY DISCHARGE LAMPS continued

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### *IKEA*

**1800 E McConnor Pkwy**, Schaumburg

(847) 969-9700

**ikea.com**

CFL bulbs only.

### *Lighting Resources LLC*

(866) 375-7340

Greenwood, IN

**lightingresourcesinc.com**

See website for pre-paid recycling options for gas discharge, high intensity and halogen lamps and ballasts. Industry/commercial.



## FURNITURE

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### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights

(847) 670-7311

**amazinggoodwill.com**

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights

(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove

(847) 581-0590

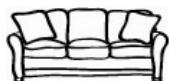
•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie

(847) 983-8197

**usc.salvationarmy.org**

Also accepts books, clothing, musical instruments, bicycles, working television sets, and appliances in good working condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.



## FURNITURE continued

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### *Village Treasure House*

**1460 Paddock Dr**, Northbrook

(847) 832-1030

**villagetreasurehouse.com**

Proceeds benefit local agencies supporting women and families in crisis. Sell or donate fine home furnishings and accessories.

### *World Relief*

(773) 681-8586

Resettles and serves refugees in Chicago.

For inquiries about donating furniture and scheduling pickups, email

**furniturechicago@wr.org**

or leave a voicemail (no mattresses, futons, sofa-beds).

GASOLINE – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS

GLUE CONTAINERS – see MISCELLANEOUS

GRANOLA WRAPPERS – see MISCELLANEOUS

GREETING CARDS – see MISCELLANEOUS



## GREASE TRAP AND FRYER OIL DISPOSAL

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### *A & J Sewer*

**1055 Courtesy Ln**, Wheeling

(847) 537-9090

**ajsewer.net**

Grease traps only.

### *Darling Restaurant Services*

(708) 388-3223

**darlingii.com**

### *Kaluzny Bros. Inc.*

**2324 Mound Rd**, Rockdale

(815) 744-1453

### *Mahoney Environmental*

**1819 Moen Ave**, Joliet

(800) 892-9392

**mahoneyenvironmental.com**

### *Aurora Tallow Inc.*

**28W440 Main St**, Warrenville

(630) 393-6806

Primarily business/commercial. Email **greasebiz@aol.com** for sites to dispose of large amounts of residential used cooking oil.

### *M.W. Hopkins & Sons, Inc.*

**9150 Pyott**, Lake of the Hills

(847) 458-1010

Individual residents may drop off used cooking oil at above address free of charge.

### *Black Gold Septic*

Batavia

(630) 879-3743

Grease trap only.



## GREASE TRAP AND FRYER OIL DISPOSAL

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*Superior Grease, Inc.*  
**1327 W Beecher Rd**  
 Bristol, IL 60512  
 (847) 381-6339

*Tierra Environmental & Industrial Services*  
**3821 Indianapolis Blvd**, East Chicago, IN  
 (888) 551-1998  
[tierra-environmental.com](http://tierra-environmental.com)

GUM PACKAGES – see MISCELLANEOUS



## HEALTH CARE AND CONVALESCENT EQUIPMENT

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Materials accepted include crutches, walkers, canes, wheelchairs, portable toilets, hospital beds and other health care items. Call organization first to see which items are needed, as most are constrained by lack of space.

### *Arlington Heights Nurses Club Lending Closet*

**1801 W Central Rd**, Arlington Heights  
 (847) 797-5315  
 Monday: 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
 Tuesday: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
 Wednesday – 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
 Friday: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
 Saturday: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

### *Elk Grove Lending Closet*

Sheila Ray Adult Center  
**225 E Elk Grove Blvd**, Elk Grove Village  
 (847) 364-7224  
 Wheelchairs, walkers, grabbers and crutches only.

### *Hoffman Estates Lending Closet*

**1900 Hassell Rd**, Hoffman Estates  
 (847) 781-4850  
 Call Monday – Friday, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
 Wheelchairs, walkers and canes only.

### *Morton Grove Lending Closet*

**6140 Dempster**, Morton Grove  
 (847) 470-5223  
 Call Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

### *Palatine Nurses Lending Closet*

**200 E Wood St, Rm 266**, Palatine  
 (847) 934-3016  
 Call Wednesday and Saturday: 10:00 am - 11:30 am  
 No beds.

### *Prospect Heights Nurses Lending Closet*

**8 N Elmhurst Rd**, Prospect Heights  
 (847) 398-6070, x200  
 Call Monday – Thursday, 8:30 am–4:30 pm



## HEALTH CARE AND CONVALESCENT EQUIPMENT continued

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### *Skokie Lending Closet*

Skokie Office of Human Services  
**5120 Galitz**, Skokie  
 (847) 933-8208  
 Walkers, wheelchairs and canes. Call first.

### *Vernon Township*

**3050 N Main**, Buffalo Grove  
 (847) 634-4600  
 Call Monday – Friday, 8:30 am–4:30 pm  
 Accepts shower chairs and benches,  
 commodes, crutches, canes, walkers,  
 wheelchairs.

### *Wheelchair Recycling Program*

•**2554 Advance Rd**, Madison, WI  
 (608) 243-1785  
 •**3540 N 126<sup>th</sup> St, Unit F**, Brookfield, WI  
 (Greater Milwaukee area)  
 (262) 439-8248  
**wrp.org**  
 Call to make arrangements for delivery.  
 Sender pays shipping charges.



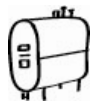
## HEARING AIDS

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### *North Suburban Hearing Services*

**7638 N Milwaukee Ave**, Niles  
 (847) 966-0060  
 Box is located in the office.

Most local Lions Clubs also accept donations.



## HEATING OIL/HEATING TANK REMOVAL

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### *Cicero Oil Company*

**6259 S Kenneth Ave**, Chicago  
 (773) 581-2041  
**cicero-oil.com**

### *400 Super Service*

**1310 Sherman Ave**, Evanston  
 (847) 869-5560  
 Recycles heating oil. Call for pricing.



## HELIUM TANKS

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To dispose of helium tanks, do the following:

While outdoors, close valve tightly. Unscrew and remove nozzle by hand or with a 3/4 inch wrench, then open valve completely to release any residual pressure in tank. Write "EMPTY" on the tank in permanent marker. Take tank to a steel recycling center or place with curbside recycling pickup. If necessary, dispose with trash.

## HOLIDAY LIGHTS

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After the holiday season, string lighting and extension cords can be dropped off at various locations throughout northern Cook County. Garland, live greens, wreaths or other non-recyclables are not accepted in this program. The following location provides year-round drop-off for holiday lights:

### **Elk Grove Village**

Health and Community Services  
901 Wellington Avenue  
Monday - Friday: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm  
(847) 357-4240

JEWELRY – see MISCELLANEOUS



## JUNK HAULERS

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### ***1-800-GOT-JUNK***

(800) 468-5865  
**1800gotjunk.com**

### ***A - ABF Hauling***

Skokie  
(847) 568-1328  
**alljunkgone123.com**

### ***A - Affordable Hauling***

Glenview  
(847) 657-9926

### ***Circle M Dumpster Service***

Northbrook  
(847) 564-9097

### ***Clavey's Light Hauling***

Glenview  
(847) 729-3444

### ***College Hunks Hauling Junk***

Northern Suburbs  
Call Zack Weiner, local owner  
(800) 586-5872

### ***1800junkusa.com***

Accepts single items to multiple truckloads.  
All labor, loading & disposal fees included  
in pricing. Call for free estimate.





## JUNK HAULERS continued

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### *Direct Source Material Handling Service*

Spring Grove  
(815) 675-0363

### *Environmental Services*

Morton Grove  
(847) 917-3631  
Estate cleanouts, antiques hauling.



## JUNK MAIL

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### *Catalog Choice*

[catalogchoice.org](http://catalogchoice.org)

Free service that lets you communicate your mail preferences to companies.

### *GreenDimes/Tonic Mailstopper*

[mailstopper.tonic.com](http://mailstopper.tonic.com)

Eliminates unsolicited mail, and lets you choose which catalogs you want to receive. See website for fees.

### *Privacy Rights*

[privacyrights.org](http://privacyrights.org)

This link provides information about removal from a variety of junk mail lists, such as the following:

- Mailing lists of major national marketers
- Direct Marketing Association's Mail Preference Service
- Flyers and advertising supplements
- Catalog, mail order lists and magazines
- Pre-approved offers of credit
- Phone books and reverse directories
- US Postal Service and change of address data file
- Charities and non-profits
- Sweepstakes and prizes
- Supermarket loyalty cards
- Public records
- Data compilers and mailing list companies.

LEAD ACID BATTERIES – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS

LEAD-BASED PAINT – see PAINT

LEGAL ISSUES – see MISCELLANEOUS

LITHIUM ION BATTERIES – see BATTERIES

LUNCH KITS – see MISCELLANEOUS



## MAKE-UP CONTAINERS

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### *Garnier*

**terracycle.net**

Send personal care and beauty product packages to TerraCycle which will upcycle the packaging into new innovative products. See website for details.

### *Kiehl's Cosmetics*

Return empty Kiehl's containers to free-standing Kiehl's stores and get a "Recycle and Be Rewarded" card stamped for complimentary samples.

### *M.A.C. Cosmetics*

To receive a free M.A.C. lipstick, return six M.A.C. containers to a M.A.C. counter or log onto M.A.C. online: **maccosmetics.com**

### *Return to Origins Recycling Program* **origins.com**

Bring clean, empty cosmetics bottles, jars, tubes, etc. to Origins retail stores or department store counters for recycling. Origins will accept packaging from any cosmetic company (including hair and body care products). See website for additional information.

MARGARINE CONTAINERS – see MISCELLANEOUS



## MEDIA

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### *ACT Recycling*

**actrecycling.org**

Recycle videotapes and floppy disks through an organization that provides jobs to individuals with disabilities. See website for details.

### *Back Thru the Future*

**cdrecyclingforfree.com**

Recycles CDs, DVDs and hard drives at no cost except shipping. See website for instructions.



## MEDIA continued

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### *Best Buy*

**bestbuy.com**

Recycling kiosks at all stores for rechargeable batteries, cell phones, inkjet and toner cartridges and wires, cords and cables.

The following stores have been accepting VHS tapes for recycling, but call first to verify individual store policies have not changed:

**615 E Palatine**, Arlington Heights

(847) 590-9849

**2301 Howard**, Evanston

(847)570-0450

**1072 Willow**, Northbrook

(847)205-2305

**9625 Skokie Blvd**, Skokie

(847)982-1263

### *Com2 Computer and Technologies*

•**140 Fullerton Ave**, Carol Stream

(630) 653-2662

•**1196 S Main St**, Lombard

(630) 678-2662

**com2computer.com**

Free for residences, schools and non-profit organizations.

Call for information.

### *Disc Replay*

•**5455 W Touhy Ave**, Skokie

(847) 568-0773

•**13 W Golf Ctr**, Hoffman Estates

(847) 882-7660

**discreplay.com**

Buys and sells used DVD and blu-ray movies, CDs, video games, video game systems and accessories.

### *GreenDisk*

(800) 305-DISK (3475)

**greendisk.com**

Accepts all electronic media or computer-related accessories and supplies. Mail-in instructions and prices on website for small and bulk amounts.

### *MRC Polymers*

**3535 W 31st St**, Chicago

(773) 890-9000

**mrcpolymers.com**

Accepts CDs, DVDs and jewel cases.

### *Recycle for Breast Cancer*

**recycleforbreastcancer.org**

Accepts most storage media. Also accepts cell phones, inkjet and laser toner cartridges, printer fuser cores, PDAs, digital cameras, Ipods and other MP3 players, laptops (Pentium 1 or higher only). Go to website for information and pre-paid shipping labels.

### *Ripstyles*

(866) 391-8447

**ripstyles.com**

Converts albums, tapes and CDs to digital format. Recycles cases. Prices vary depending on volume.

### *Second Spin*

**secondspin.com**

Buy and sell used CDs, DVDs and games.

### *Vintage Vinyl Records*

**925 Davis St**, Evanston

(847) 328-2899

**vymo.com**

Buys and sells records – no CDs or DVDs.



## MEDICAL WASTE

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**SWANCC Member Communities: See also SWANCC's Prescription Drug/Sharps Disposal Program at [swancc.org](http://swancc.org).**

### **Prescriptions and over-the-counter medications:**

#### *Chicago's Permanent Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St, Chicago**

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

**[cityofchicago.org](http://cityofchicago.org)**

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts unused or expired medications (non-controlled only). No sharps or needles accepted.

This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

### **Sharps:**

Most local pharmacies have sharps disposal programs. Call your local pharmacist for details.

#### *LB Medwaste*

(888) 526-3392

**[lbmedwaste.com](http://lbmedwaste.com)**

Pickup contracts available.

#### *Stericycle*

(866) 783-7422

**[stericycle.com](http://stericycle.com)**

Pickup contracts available.



**NEVER** use a vacuum to clean up mercury. If you have a mercury spill, contact one of the following immediately for cleanup procedures:

•*Illinois Department of Public Health*  
(217) 782-5830

•*Illinois EPA Collection*  
(217) 524-3300

These departments will also answer any questions related to mercury spills, management or removal.

Also visit: [idph.state.il.us](http://idph.state.il.us) for more information.

SWANCC has established an environmentally-friendly **thermometer exchange program** for member communities.

Mercury is taken at **Household Chemical Waste** collections.

**Thermometer, switch and thermostat disposal:**

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[cityofchicago.org](http://cityofchicago.org)

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts thermometers, switches and thermostats.

This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

**Full-service environmental management company:**

*R3 Environmental Management*

(847) 488-1492

**1050 East Chicago Avenue, Elgin**

[r3environmental.net](http://r3environmental.net)



## METALS

### *Acme Refining*

**3357 S Justine St**, Chicago  
(773) 523-4500  
[acmescrap.com](http://acmescrap.com)  
Industrial-based.

### *Barb's Salvage Company*

**38200 N Lee**, Spring Grove  
(847) 973-0105

There is a \$10 charge for any size load of metal materials picked up. No charge for materials dropped off. Accepts cars, bikes, lawnmowers, and anything made of metal. No wood or plastic accepted.

### *C & R Scrap Iron & Metal*

**4619 S Knox**, Chicago  
(773) 585-3030  
Accepts all metals.

### *Elgin Recycling/Crystal Lake Recycling*

[elginrecycling.com](http://elginrecycling.com)

Accepts all metals, including all-metal clothes hangers.

- Elgin Recycling  
**20450 N Rand Rd**, Palatine  
(847) 540-0020

- Elgin Recycling  
**660 Schiller St**, Elgin  
(847) 741-4100

- Crystal Lake Recycling  
**5114 Terra Cotta Ave**, Crystal Lake  
(815) 455-7700

### *Joe's Scrap Metal Pickup Service*

**2169 N Natchez**, Chicago  
(773) 851-9020

Pickup service available. Call Joe Perez for pricing information.

### *Maine Scrap Metals*

**1274 Rand Rd**, Des Plaines  
(847) 824-3175

[mainescrapmetal.com](http://mainescrapmetal.com)

Accepts all non-ferrous metal, including all-metal clothes hangers.

### *North Park Village Recycling Station*

**5801 N Pulaski Rd**, Chicago  
(773) 821-1351

[resourcecenterchicago.org](http://resourcecenterchicago.org)

9:00 am – 5:00 pm daily

Accepts aluminum and steel cans. Also accepts brown, clear and green glass bottles and jars, #1 and #2 plastic bottles, newspaper, magazines, office paper and cardboard. Please do not drop off materials outside of the posted hours.

### *Sims Metal Management*

**2500 S Paulina**, Chicago  
(773) 254-1200

[mtlm.com](http://mtlm.com)

Accepts sheet iron, cars. Call for pricing.

### **Steel:**

### *Steel Recycling Institute*

(800) YES-1-CAN (937-1226)

[recycle-steel.org](http://recycle-steel.org)

Check website for steel recycling locations.

MICROWAVE – see APPLIANCES

MILK BOTTLES, PLASTIC – see MISCELLANEOUS



## MISCELLANEOUS

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### **Bubble Mailers and Cushion Wrap**

**(Scotch brand):**

[scotchbrand.com](http://scotchbrand.com)

Recycle Scotch brand mailers and cushion wrap by mailing to:

Scotch@Recycling Program  
3131 Cincinnati Dayton Rd  
Middletown, OH 45044

or see website for drop-off locations.

### **Candy Wrappers:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Corks:**

Whole Foods Market has partnered with Cork ReHarvest to collect and recycle some of the 13 billion natural corks produced each year. Call individual store regarding participation.

### **Cereal Boxes (Kashi):**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Chip Bags:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Coffee Bags:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Cookie Wrappers:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Crafts:**

*Kohl Children's Museum*

**2100 Patriot Blvd**, Glenview

(847) 832-6600

[kohlchildrensmuseum.org](http://kohlchildrensmuseum.org)

Accepts the following items for children's creative art projects: cardboard tubes, fabric scraps, plastic film containers, thread spools and plastic bottles. Call to arrange drop-off or to ask what additional materials might be needed.

### **Disposable Diaper Packaging (Huggies):**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Drink Pouches:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Energy Bar Wrappers:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Glue Containers:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Granola Wrappers:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.

### **Gum Packages:**

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)

See website for details.



## MISCELLANEOUS continued

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### Greeting Cards:

*St. Jude's Ranch Recycled Card Program*  
1-877-977-SJRC (7572)  
[stjudesranch.org](http://stjudesranch.org)

Mail card fronts from all occasion cards to the following address:

St. Jude's Ranch for Children  
Card Recycling Program  
100 St. Jude's Street  
Boulder City, NV 89005

**NOTE: St. Jude's cannot accept Hallmark, Disney or American Greeting cards.**

### Jewelry:

*Cash Converters*  
**1125 N Roselle Rd**, Hoffman Estates  
(847) 781-0890  
Buys gold jewelry.

### Legal Issues:

*IEPA Helpline*  
(888) 372-1996

### Lunch Kits:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Margarine Containers:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Milk Bottles, Plastic:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Paper Towel Packaging:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Storage Bags and Containers:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Transparent Adhesive Tape:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Water Filters:

Select Whole Foods locations recycle Brita water filters. Call individual store for details.

### Writing Instruments:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.

### Yogurt Containers:

[terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net)  
See website for details.





## MOTOR OIL (BULK)

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### *Illinois Recovery Systems, Inc.*

**9870 Franklin Ave**, Franklin Park

(847) 671-3494

[illinoisrecoverygroupinc.com](http://illinoisrecoverygroupinc.com)

Special waste hauler for used waste oil, antifreeze, coolants, waste water.

See **Automotive Products** for service stations that recycle small to medium quantities.

**MOTOR OIL (RESIDENTIAL) – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS**



## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights

(847) 670-7311

[amazinggoodwill.com](http://amazinggoodwill.com)

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights

(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove

(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie

(847) 983-8197

[usc.salvationarmy.org](http://usc.salvationarmy.org)

Also accepts books, clothing, bicycles, working television sets, and appliances in good working condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.

**NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES (Ni-Cd) – see BATTERIES**



## OFFICE EQUIPMENT

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***Chicago's Permanent Household  
Chemicals and Computer  
Recycling Facility***

**1150 N Branch St, Chicago**

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

**cityofchicago.org**

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts home office fax machines, scanners, printers/copiers (no large/business office machines). This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

***LifeSpan Technology Recycling***

(888) 720-0900

**lifespanrecycling.com**

Large- and small-scale technology recycling, including computers, printers, monitors, telephone gear and fax machines.

***Midwest Copier Exchange, LLC***

**midwestcopier.com**

See website for information about buying or selling office machines.

Also see **Furniture**.

***Midwest Laser Cartridge Corporation***

**928 N Delphia Ave, Park Ridge**

(847) 292-2274

**midwestlasercartridgecorp.com**

Recycles printers, copiers, scanners and fax machines. Also recycles inkjet, toner and fax cartridges.

***Refurbished Office Environments***

**905 S Menard Ave, Chicago**

(773) 379-5222

Buys large quantities only.

***Second Systems, Inc.***

**1040 W Thorndale, Itasca**

(630) 250-7555

**secondsystems.com**

Purchases mid-to-large size quantities of name-brand quality office furniture and workstations.

***SIMS Recycling Solutions***

**1600 Harvester Rd, West Chicago**

(630) 231-6060

**simsrecyclingsolutions-na.com**

Also accepts cell phones, consumer electronics, and microwaves. Call for details and pricing.



## OIL TANK REMOVAL

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***Cicero Oil Company***

**6259 S Kenneth Ave, Chicago**

(773) 581-2041

**cicero-oil.com**

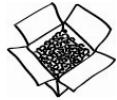


## OXYGEN TANKS

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Oxygen tanks used for medical purposes in the home should be returned to the supplier or manufacturer. Check the neck of the tank for an address.

Dive tanks can usually be sold back to the dive shop. Before purchasing any compressed gas tanks, ask the supplier about proper disposal methods.



## PACKAGING PRODUCTS

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All packing peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap should be clean and acceptable for reuse.

If your municipality does not have a shipping store that accepts recycling, call the Plastic Loose Fill Council's 24-hour "Peanut Pipeline" at (800) 828-2214 which gives the closest collection site that accepts plastic peanuts for reuse.

To give away or acquire used cardboard boxes for free, refer to the website [freecardboardboxes.com](http://freecardboardboxes.com).

Recycle Scotch brand bubble mailers and cushion wrap by mailing to:

**Scotch@Recycling** Program

3131 Cincinnati Dayton Rd

Middletown, OH 45044

or see website for drop-off locations: [scotchbrand.com](http://scotchbrand.com)

### Arlington Heights

*The UPS Store*

**126 E Wing St**

(847) 818-9000

Accepts peanuts and cardboard.

*The UPS Store*

**309 E Rand Rd**

(847) 259-6700

Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

### Barrington

*The UPS Store*

**117 S Cook St**

(847) 304-1911

Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

### Buffalo Grove

*The UPS Store*

**113 McHenry Rd**

(847) 459-7060

Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

*The UPS Store*

**318 Half Day Rd**

(847)913-0335

Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

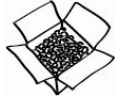
### Elk Grove Village

*The UPS Store*

**836 S Arlington Heights Rd**

(847) 956-1112

Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.



## PACKAGING PRODUCTS continued

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### Evanston

*The UPS Store*  
**1555 Sherman Ave**  
 (847) 869-3000  
 Accepts peanuts.

*The UPS Store*  
**848 Dodge Ave**  
 (847) 475-2335  
 Accepts peanuts.

*Pack 'n Mail*  
**635 Chicago Ave**  
 (847) 866-6225  
 Accepts peanuts.

*The UPS Store*  
**2906 Central**  
 (847) 475-5200  
 Accepts peanuts.

### Glenview

*Abt Electronics*  
**1200 N Milwaukee Ave**  
 (847) 967-8830  
 Accepts peanuts and cardboard.

*The UPS Store*  
**2516 Waukegan Rd**  
 (847) 724-3800  
 Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

### Hoffman Estates

*Pack 'n Mail*  
**1566 W Algonquin Rd**  
 (847) 934-6700  
 Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

*The UPS Store*  
**3 Golf Ctr**  
 (847) 310-9666  
 Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

### Morton Grove

*The UPS Store*  
**6321 W Dempster**  
 (847) 581-2870  
 Accepts peanuts.

### Mount Prospect

*The UPS Store*  
**119 S Emerson Ave**  
 (847) 788-9001  
 Accepts peanuts.

### *Mail Box Plus*

**1516 N Elmhurst Rd**  
 (847) 577-1737  
 Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

### *Pro-Mix Audio & Lighting*

**960 E Northwest Hwy**  
 (847) 797-9404  
 Accepts peanuts.

### Niles

*The UPS Store*  
**8926 N Greenwood Ave**  
 (847) 824-6800  
 Accepts peanuts.

### Palatine

*The UPS Store*  
**1935 S Plum Grove Rd**  
 (847) 991-9980  
 Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

### *The UPS Store*

**738 E Dundee Rd**  
 (847) 934-9054  
 Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.



## PACKAGING PRODUCTS continued

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### Park Ridge

*The UPS Store*

**310 Busse Hwy**

(847) 825-3700

Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

### Skokie

*The UPS Store*

**4957 Oakton St**

(847) 329-7400

Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

### *Postal Plus*

**8820 Skokie Blvd**

(847) 972-1690

Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

### Wilmette

*The UPS Store*

**1187 Wilmette Ave**

(847) 256-1187

Accepts peanuts and bubble wrap.

### *The UPS Store*

**3223 Lake Ave, Suite 15C**

(847) 853-1300

Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

### Winnetka

*The UPS Store*

**1001 Green Bay Rd**

(847) 446-6899

Accepts peanuts, cardboard and bubble wrap.

PACKING PEANUTS – see PACKAGING PRODUCTS



## PAINT

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### **Latex Paint:**

Latex paint will not be accepted at Household Chemical Waste collections. It may be disposed of at home because it is water-based and does not contain toxic material.

The easiest way to dispose of paint is to use it up completely. Apply a second coat to your project or use it up on a piece of old cardboard or scrap wood. Let the can dry out and dispose of it in your regular garbage. If this isn't an option, continue reading for further instructions.

You can add shredded newspapers, kitty litter or Waste Paint Hardener (available at most hardware stores) to your latex paint. Let the paint dry out completely. This should be done in a well-ventilated area and away from children and pets. After the paint has dried, put the container in your garbage with the lid off so the garbage hauler knows the can is empty.



## PAINT continued

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Many local theatre groups, churches and housing authorities will accept leftover paint and put it to good use. If you have a significant amount of paint that is usable, contact the following:

### *The ReBuilding Exchange*

**2160 N Ashland**, Chicago  
(773) 252-2234

**rebuildingexchange.org**

The mission of the ReBuilding Exchange is to divert building materials from the waste stream and make them accessible to the public for reuse, protecting community health, creating jobs and saving resources.

### *Habitat for Humanity ReStore*

**habitatlc.org**

Accepts building materials, construction tools, pallet jacks, cabinets, siding, tile, paintbrushes. Call (847) 249-3160 (distribution center) or see website for list of donations accepted, hours of operation, and criteria for donation pickups.

### *Hardware Stores*

If your paint is not usable and you are unable to dry it out yourself, the hardware stores listed below recycle latex paint for a fee:

#### •*Craftwood Lumber and Hardware*

**1590 Old Deerfield Rd**, Highland Park  
(847) 831-2800

#### •*Millen Do It Best*

**1219 Wilmette Ave**, Wilmette  
(847) 251-3060

#### •*Palatine Ace Hardware*

**239 E Northwest Hwy**, Palatine  
(847) 358-8100

#### •*Schaumburg Ace Hardware*

**560 S Roselle Rd**, Schaumburg  
(847) 895-9292

#### •*Sherwin Ace Hardware*

**1705 W Campbell**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 255-3113

#### •*Skokie Ace Hardware*

**5035 Oakton St**, Skokie  
(847) 673-0700

#### •*Weiss Ace Hardware*

**1560 Waukegan Rd**, Glenview  
(847) 724-3444

The following website lists additional locations to recycle latex paint and cans.

### *Earth Paints Collection Systems*

(847) 231-6044

**earthpaintscs.com**



## PAINT continued

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### Lead-Based Paint:

In response to lead-based paint (LBP) concerns, the **Illinois Environmental Protection Agency** (IEPA) has prepared an information package which outlines those LBP removal approaches which IEPA recognizes as being consistent with protecting human health and the environment.

### Oil Paint:

***Chicago's Permanent Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling Facility***

**1150 N Branch St**, Chicago  
Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

**cityofchicago.org**

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts oil-based paints, aerosol paints and paint thinners. Also accepts solvents (mineral spirits, stains, paint strippers, preservatives and sealers). This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.



## PAPER SHREDDING AND RECYCLING

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SWANCC has established a seasonal **document destruction program** for member communities.

***Accurate Document Destruction***

Managed by Groot Industries  
**2500 Landmeier Rd**, Elk Grove Village

(800) 407-4733

**shredd.net**

Provides on- or off-site shredding services.

***Acme Document Destruction***

**3357 S Justine St**, Chicago  
(773) 523-4500

**acmescrap.com**

Provides on- or off-site shredding services.



## PAPER SHREDDING AND RECYCLING continued\_

***AMS Store and Shred***  
*(AMS Ag Medical Systems Inc.)*  
 (800) 262-2344  
**amsstoreandshred.com**

An authorized Kodak subcontractor, AMS also recycles old x-ray, lithographic film, aluminum plates and silver flake.

***Cintas***  
**2600 S 25th Ave**, Broadview  
 (708) 345-8392  
**cintas.com**  
 Provides on- or off-site shredding services.

***Citadel Information Management***  
**827 Blackhawk Dr**, Westmont  
 (630) 323-1540  
**citadelim.com**  
 Onsite mobile shredding and material drop-off. Call to make an appointment or see website for details.

***Paper Retriever Recycling***  
**paperretriever.com**

This program places bins at schools, churches and other non-profit organizations, which are paid for paper products recycled by community members. Website lists locations of recycling bins and acceptable materials for recycling.

***Shred First, Inc.***  
**530 E Algonquin Rd**, Des Plaines  
 (847) 390-9133  
**shredfirstinc.com**

Onsite mobile shredding and material drop-off. You may observe the destruction of your documents.



## PLASTIC BAGS

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Many retail stores have bins to recycle plastic bags. Check local directory for exact location and for program verification.





## POLYSTYRENE/STYROFOAM

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The same properties that make polystyrene an excellent packaging material - its light weight, low cost and strength - make it difficult to recycle. The cost of trucking polystyrene to a recycling plant is cost-prohibitive and it has low scrap value. Because styrofoam food containers are usually contaminated, they require cleaning before they can be processed for recycling, another factor which makes recycling generally infeasible.

### *Abt Electronics*

**1200 N Milwaukee Ave**, Glenview

(847) 967-8830

**abt.com**

Thursday – Saturday: 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Abt also recycles cardboard, batteries, plastic and electronics. Please bring your recyclables to the freestanding building located just west of the main building.

### *City of Highland Park*

Highland Park Firearms Training Center

**1180 Half Day Rd**, Highland Park

Tuesday and Friday: 7:00 am – 1:00 pm

### *Dart Container Corp.*

**310 Evergreen Dr**, North Aurora

(630) 896-4631

24 hours

Dart operates a polystyrene foam recycling plant, open to the public.

Some UPS store locations will accept clean packing peanuts for recycling.

PRINTERS – see ELECTRONICS DONATION



## PROPANE TANKS

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### *Amerigas*

•**522 S Vermont**, Palatine

(800) 398-1354

\$3 fee per tank.

•**4158 Division**, Hillside

(708) 544-1131

No charge.

•**310 N Sangamon**, Chicago

(312) 997-2300

No charge.

### *Coleman*

**coleman.com**

Provides information about proper disposal of propane tanks.



## PROPANE TANKS

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*Chicago's Permanent Household  
Chemicals and Computer  
Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St**, Chicago

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

**cityofchicago.org**

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts propane tanks for BBQ grills, small fire extinguishers and small non-refillable cylinders (NCRs). This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES – see BATTERIES



## RECYCLING HOTLINE

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Log onto *Earth 911* recycling web site: **earth911.com** or call the nationwide hotline: **(800) CLEAN-UP (253-2687)**

This service provides recyclers with locations to take old newspapers, magazines, scrap paper, aluminum cans, glass bottles, tires and other materials to be collected for recycling. It also provides information about source reduction, reuse opportunities and community environmental events. This hotline is a recording.

REFRIGERATORS – see APPLIANCES

RESALE SHOPS – see CLOTHING



## RUBBER/TIRES

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*Lakin Environmental Industries*

**2044 N Dominick St**, Chicago

(773) 871-6360

**lakincorp.com**

Industrial only.

*Liberty Tire Services*

**1323 W Cortland**, Chicago

(773) 871-6360

**libertytire.com**

Industrial only.

Also see the **Automotive Products** for locations to take tires and other automotive equipment.





## SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

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### *Tools for Schools (SCARCE)*

**799 Roosevelt Rd, Bldg 2, Ste 8, Glen Ellyn**

(630) 545-9710

**scarcecoed.org**

Sponsored by SCARCE (School and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education). SCARCE collects the following for proper reuse/recycling: cell phones, printer cartridges, crayons, American flags, clothing, buttons, safety pins, eyeglasses, keys, LP records and license plates Also see “Book” section to donate school and office supplies Please call ahead.

**SCRAP METAL – see METALS**

**SERVICE STATIONS – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS**



## SHARPS DISPOSAL

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Most local pharmacies have sharps disposal programs. Call your local pharmacist for details.

### *LB Medwaste*

(888) 526-3392

**lbmedwaste.com**

Pickup contracts available.

### *Stericycle*

(866) 783-7422

**stericycle.com**

Pickup contracts available.

**SWANCC Member Communities: See also SWANCC’s Prescription Drug/Sharps Disposal Program at [swancc.org](http://swancc.org).**



## SHOES

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**Note: Please DO NOT mail shoes to SWANCC's office.**

### Athletic Shoes:

Nike's Reuse-A-Shoe program recycles worn-out athletic shoes into material used in sports surfaces and playgrounds.

Learn more about the **Nike Reuse-A-Shoe** program and school and business shoe collections. You can bring up to 10 pair of athletic shoes at a time to the following location:

#### *Niketown*

**669 N Michigan Ave**, Chicago  
(312) 642-6363  
No cleats or heels.

### You can also mail your athletic shoes straight to Nike:

Grind Processing  
3552 Avenue of Commerce  
Memphis, TN 38125

### For on-going shoe recycling:

#### *Algonquin Township Road, District Parking Lot*

(blue container in middle of lot - next to the MCCD Hollows Conservation Site)

**3702 US Highway 14**, Crystal Lake

Questions? Contact Bob or Anna Miller at  
(847) 639-2700 x 6

Drop-off - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

For large amounts, please bring during business hours. Monday – Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Please remove laces and place loose shoes in bin (no bags). Do not bring shoes with metal eyelets, zippers, cleats, spikes, “fashion lights”, or any non-court-type athletic shoes (like sandals, heels, boots, pool shoes, soccer shoes, etc.)

### Shoes – All Types:

#### *Share Your Soles*

**5623 W 115<sup>th</sup> St**, Alsip  
(708) 448-4469

**shareyoursoles.org**

Donates gently used shoes to people in need around the world. Check website for donation opportunities.

### Shoes - Matchmaker Organizations:

This program helps people who need only one or different-sized shoes:

#### *National Odd Shoe Exchange*

POB 1120  
Chandler, AZ 85244-1120  
(480) 892-3484

**oddshoe.org**

Exchange accepts unworn shoes, boots, socks and laces. See website for mailing instructions.



## SMOKE DETECTORS

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Ionization smoke detectors contain small amounts of radioactive materials. Never disassemble a smoke detector. Intact detectors pose little threat, but can be a health hazard if broken open. By federal regulation, all smoke detectors contain the mail-back address to send used units with radioactive chips. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission suggests checking the label on the detector for disposal options, but residents may safely discard individual units in their regular garbage.

SOFTWARE – see MEDIA



## SPORTS EQUIPMENT

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### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 670-7311

[amazinggoodwill.com](http://amazinggoodwill.com)

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove  
(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie  
(847) 983-8197

[usc.salvationarmy.org](http://usc.salvationarmy.org)

Also accepts books, clothing, musical instruments, working computers and monitors, bicycles, working television sets, and appliances in good working condition. Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.

### *Play It Again Sports*

•**1325 N Rand Rd**, Palatine  
(847) 221-2672

•**Brookside Plaza, 525 Waukegan Dr**, Northbrook  
(847) 564-9180

•**1127 S Roselle Rd**, Schaumburg  
(847) 895-8914

[playitagainsports.com](http://playitagainsports.com)

STEEL – see METALS

STORAGE BAGS and CONTAINERS – see MISCELLANEOUS

STOVE – see APPLIANCES

STYROFOAM – see POLYSTYRENE

SUMP PUMP BATTERIES – see BATTERIES

SYRINGES – see SHARPS DISPOSAL



## TELEPHONE BOOKS

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### *Yellow Pages*

[yellowpagesgoesgreen.org](http://yellowpagesgoesgreen.org)

Remove your home and office from receiving printed telephone directories.

All SWANCC communities can recycle phone books in curbside bins.

Also see **Recycling Drop-off Centers**.

TEXTBOOK REUSE – see BOOKS



## THERMOMETERS

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SWANCC has established an environmentally-friendly **Thermometer Exchange Program** for member communities.

### *Chicago's Permanent Household Chemicals and Computer Recycling Facility*

**1150 N Branch St, Chicago**

Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Call (312) 744-7606 for more information.

[cityofchicago.org](http://cityofchicago.org)

Tuesdays: 7:00 am to 12:00 pm

Thursdays: 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

1st Saturday of month: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste).

Accepts thermometers, switches and thermostats. This facility accepts many additional items for recycling. See site for details.

Also see **Mercury**.



## THERMOSTATS

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**TIRES – see AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS**

**TOOLS – see CONSTRUCTION/BUILDING MATERIAL - DONATION**

***G & O Thermo Supply Company***  
**gothermal.com**

Intact units only. Do not remove bulb.

•**51 W Seegers Rd, Arlington Heights**  
(847) 439-5242

•**5435 N Northwest Hwy, Chicago**  
(773) 763-1300

***GW Berkheimer***

**4 E College Dr, Arlington Heights**  
(847) 259-5596

**gwberkheimer.com**

Wholesale only.

Intact units only. Do not remove bulb.



## TOYS

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### *Goodwill Industries*

**1551 N Dryden Ave**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 670-7311

**amazinggoodwill.com**

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers.

### *Salvation Army*

•**250 W Rand Rd**, Arlington Heights  
(847) 577-2828

•**6715 W Dempster**, Morton Grove  
(847) 581-0590

•**4335 Oakton**, Skokie  
(847) 983-8197

**usc.salvationarmy.org**

Also accepts books, clothing, musical instruments, working computers and monitors, bicycles, working television sets, and appliances in good working condition.

Not all stores accept all items (e.g., TVs). Call individual store before dropping off donations. Bulk pickups may be scheduled by calling (773) 477-1300.

TRANSPARENCIES– see FILM/CANISTERS/X-RAYS

TRANSPARENT ADHESIVE TAPE – see MISCELLANEOUS

VIDEO CASSETTES – see MEDIA



## VIDEO SYSTEMS/GAMES

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### *Costco*

**costco.gazelle.com**

The *Costco Trade-In Program* is a service provided to Costco customers by Gazelle. Eligible products qualify for Costco Cash or recycling. Shipping charges are pre-paid by Gazelle. See website for details.

### *Disc Replay*

•**5455 W Touhy Ave**, Skokie  
(847) 568-0773

•**13 W Golf Ctr**, Hoffman Estates  
(847) 882-7660

**discreplay.com**

Buys and sells used DVD and blu-ray movies, CDs, video games, video game systems and accessories.





## VIDEO SYSTEMS/GAMES continued

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### *GameStop Stores (EB Games)*

[gamestop.com](http://gamestop.com)

See website for store locations to trade in old games and accessories.

### *Goodwill Industries*

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(847) 670-7311

[amazinggoodwill.com](http://amazinggoodwill.com)

Accepts Microsoft Xbox, Zune and Microsoft-branded webcams.

Also accepts computer equipment and peripherals (including monitors), TVs, small appliances, clothing, home décor, books and movies (DVD and VHS).

No refrigerators or washers/dryers.

WASHER/DRYER – see APPLIANCES

WATER FILTERS – see MISCELLANEOUS



## WOOD RECYCLING

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### *Davin Industries*

**1881 Commerce Dr, Ste 108**, Elk Grove Village

(847) 593-8100

Recycles wood pallets, engineered wood and crates, construction and lumber trim, and all untreated wood. No logs are accepted.

### *D K Organics*

**29307 N Skokie Hwy**, Lake Bluff

(847) 234-5499

Accepts brush, branches, wood chips and logs (maximum 6 feet in length). No stumps, pallets, engineered wood or construction lumber. Material made into compost and mulches, available for purchase.

### *Land and Lakes*

**1300 N Milwaukee Ave**, Buffalo Grove  
(847) 520-1857

Monday – Saturday: 6:00 am – 3:30 pm

Accepts freshly cut grass and landscape material for composting; you can also purchase prescreened and unscreened compost. Do not tie or put in plastic bags. Logs accepted 3-4 feet in length and up to 34 inches in diameter.

WRITING INSTRUMENTS – see MISCELLANEOUS

X-RAYS – see FILM/CANISTERS/X-RAYS



## YARD WASTE

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### *D K Organics*

**29307 N Skokie Hwy**, Lake Bluff

(847) 234-5499

Accepts most organic matter including grass, leaves, brush, branches, wood chips and logs (maximum 6 feet in length). No stumps or food. Also accepts clean fill (must be separated from other organic material.)

### *Mr. K Garden & Material Center*

**1440 Higgins Rd**, Park Ridge

(847) 692-2118

Accepts fresh grass, thatch, chips, leaves, branches and brush. Also accepts (but must be separated) branches less than 3" in diameter, concrete, rock and dirt. Does not accept old grass.

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YOGURT – see MISCELLANEOUS