

TEXTILE RECYCLING IN BROOME COUNTY

Organization	Accepted Items	Do NOT Accept	Donation Destination
St. Pauly (For Profit Business) 1067 Gateway Drive, Farmington, NY 866-295-4466 www.stpaulytextile.com (List of Bin Locations)	Used clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillowcases, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals.	Furniture, electronics, household items, books, toys, garbage, pillows, rags, and fabric scraps.	Usable clothing distributed to people who can use it here in the U.S. and in developing countries.
All County Recycling www.allcountyusedclothes.com (List of Bin Locations)	Used clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillowcases, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals. Includes items that are ripped, stained or unmatched such as socks & shoes.	No restrictions.	Bin is emptied and items are sold directly as they are when removed from the bin. Brokered to the highest market value.
Thrifty Shopper (Rescue Mission) 1139 Upper Front St, Binghamton, NY 607-348-0092 www.rmlifechanging.org	Used clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillowcases, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals in good condition.	Prefer no stained or ripped clothing.	Given away to people in need or sold in a Thrifty Shopper store with all the proceeds going to support the Rescue Mission's programs for the homeless and those hurting in the Broome County community.
Salvation Army 3-5 Griswold St, Binghamton, NY www.satruck.org	Used clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillowcases, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals in good condition.	No stained, worn or ripped clothing. Must be in good condition.	Gently used items will be sold through Family Stores. The Adult Rehabilitation programs are funded entirely by the proceeds.
Goodwill 12 Glenwood Ave 3701 Vestal Parkway E Binghamton, NY Vestal, NY 607-729-2451 607-797-3414	Used clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillowcases, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals in good condition.	No items that have been recalled, banned or do not meet current safety standards.	Money used to fund job training and other services.
Volunteers of America 519 Hooper Rd, Endwell, NY 607-239-6053 www.voa.org	Accept most used clothing, household items and furniture in good condition.	No stained, worn or ripped clothing. Must be in good condition.	Resells in their resale stores or recycles textiles. Help fund programs such as the Emergency Family Shelter and the Children's Center.
Once Upon a Child (Store) 1708 Vestal Pkwy E, Vestal, NY 607-754-5437	Good condition used clothing, shoes, hats, belts, outerwear.	No stained, worn or ripped clothing. Must be in good condition.	Purchases and sells clean good conditioned reusable clothing at store location.
Plato's Closet (Store) 708 Vestal Pkwy E, Vestal, NY 607-239-4722 www.platosclosetvestal.com/	Good condition used clothing, shoes, hats, belts, purses, outerwear.	No stained, worn or ripped clothing. Must be in good condition.	Purchases and sells clean good conditioned reusable clothing at store location.
Urban Star (Boutique) 625 Main St, Johnson City, NY www.urbanstar.org	Good condition used clothing, shoes, hats, belts, purses, outerwear.	No stained, worn or ripped clothing. Must be in good condition.	Purchases and sells clean good conditioned reusable clothing at store location.

At no time should any donated item be left outside any collection container or collection location - doing so will be considered as illegal dumping.

Why Reuse or Recycle Textiles?

Donating used textiles supports local charitable organizations that provide jobs and job training to residents.

Used textiles provide low-cost quality clothing and household linens to residents with a limited budget.

Textiles that are not in reusable condition can have a 2nd life as an industrial wiping cloth, insulation for cars and homes, carpet padding or sound-proofing materials.

Keeping used textiles out of the trash reduces disposal costs and saves landfill space!

What are Considered Textiles?

Textiles are a fairly large category of items. Some of the typical textiles are:

- used clothing
- shoes and sneakers
- belts
- purses
- linens
- pillowcases
- blankets
- curtains
- stuffed animals



What To Do With Old Unwanted Textiles:

Reusable Condition

Can be donated to a variety of charities or clothing collection drop-off bins. Often times these textiles will be sold in the organization's retail stores or be redistributed to people in need. In some cases organizations will partner with a for-profit in the used clothing industry which will buy the clothing in bulk and provide an additional revenue stream to supports the organization's mission.

Another outlet for good condition textiles are area consignment shops that will pay individuals directly for items.

Torn, Ripped, Stained, Broken

These items are accepted only by specific programs or collection bins. Please check with the organization before dropping off items. These textiles are used to produce various commercial products.

For a List of Locations Visit:

- The New York State Association of Reduction, Reuse and Recycling Database at www.nysar3.org/textile_recovery_locations.php
- www.gobroomecounty.com/solidwaste or call the Division of Solid Waste 607-778-2250.



Important Information:

- No items should ever be placed outside a collection bin as it will be considered illegal dumping which can result in a fine and could jeopardize the organizations collection program.
- Textiles cannot be placed in the curbside recycling bin.
- No clothing that is mildewed or has been contaminated with a solvent such as gasoline, oil, paint, or odorous cleaner.
- No carpets, rugs, or mattresses.

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Division of Solid Waste Management
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According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency across the country, only 15% of recyclable clothes and textiles are actually recovered; **85% ends up in the trash!**



NY State residents trash an estimated 1.4 billion pounds of recoverable clothes and textiles annually

These materials can easily be diverted from the landfill!