

Donate and Recycle Your Clutter

Getting rid of clutter? The solution: Donate It, Barter It, Sell It, or Recycle It. This practice is known as <u>Green Organizing</u>: emphasizing the environmentally-friendly principles of "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repurpose, and Remix". The following list is for residents of Berks County, Pennsylvania and neighboring counties.

DONATE IT: Donate clothing, home décor, & housewares. Ask for a receipt for your taxes.

Berks Women in Crisis

645 Penn Street, 2nd Floor, Reading 610-373-1206; call for current needs www.berkswomenincrisis.org

Ephrata Re-Uzit Thrift Shop

20-22 East Main Street, Ephrata 717-733-4982

M-Th: 9-5, F: 9-8, Sat: 9-4

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Ephrata Re-Uzit (Mennonite)

Furniture Shop & Booksavers 1054 S. State Street, Ephrata 717-733-4934

M-Th: 9-5, F: 9-8, & Sat. 9-3

Goodwill Retail and Donation Locations

- Clocktower Plaza, Rt.23, Morgantown 610-286-6676; M-Sat: 9-4:30
- 3039 5th Street Highway, Reading 610-921-8221; M-Sat: 9-7
- Rt. 422 & Freeman St., Robesonia 610-693-6014; Su-Tu: 9-6, W-Sat: 9-8
- 600 Lancaster Avenue, Shillington 610-777-5250; M-Sat: 9-8 & Sun: 12-6

<u>Habitat Re-Stores</u>-Will take anything used to build a home: <u>www.rbhabitat.org</u>

- Lancaster: 155 Independence Ct. Ste. 101, 717-293-0250
- Reading: 5370 Allentown Pike, Temple, 610-921-1315, rbhabitat.org

Holly's Closet-Calvary Bible Fellowship 4891 Penn Avenue, Sinking Spring 610-678-5166; Call for drop off times

HomeWorks

603 Benjamin Franklin Hwy. (Rt. 422) Birdsboro, PA 19508 610-385-6100; Tu-F: 9-6, Sat.:9-4

Hope Rescue Mission

745 N. 6th Street, Reading 610-375-3611

Jubilee Ministries-Thrift stores

- 235 S. 12th Street, Lebanon 717-274-7594
- 12 N. Londonderry Square, Palmyra 717-832-0400
- 715 E. Lincoln Avenue, Myerstown 717-866-0218
 M-Sat: 9:30-4 & F: 9:30-8

Mary's Shelter
325 S. 12th Street, Reading
610-376-1973
www.marysshelter.org

Morgantown Re-Uzit Shoppe 2769 Main Street, Morgantown

610-286-7233; M-F: 9-5 & Sat: 9-3

<u>PrincessProject.org</u> (used prom dresses) Team Worldwide, 405 Eccles Ave.,

South San Francisco, CA 94080

Recovery Shop

124 S. 5th Street, Reading 610-898-1262

Re-Uzit Shop of New Holland

148 East Main Street, New Holland 717-354-8355

M-F: 9-5 & Sat: 9-4 www.mcc.org/thrift

Salvation Army

5370 Allentown Pike, Temple 610-921-1970 www.satruck.com/donate-goods

Second Street Thrift Shop

2222 N. Reading Rd., Denver 717-336-4104 M,Tu,W,F,Sat: 10-5; Th: 10-7

BARTER IT: Do it the old-fashioned way and barter.

www.readingpafreecycle.com

Members post items & request needed items for free

Bitch 'n Swap-Invite friends over with their "still nice but no longer wanted clothes and accessories", exchange, & add conversation and drinks. Any leftover clothes can be donated to charity.

<u>Corporate Barter Network</u>-If you own a business, you can barter services or merchandise; call 610-372-1600

SELL IT: Sell your items or get credit.

Auction Houses

You may not make a lot of money, but they take a lot of items away at once.

Cash Converters

Sell items at Kenhorst Plaza

CraigsList.org

Free online ads available

Consignment and Resale Shops

Receive credit or cash for items. See yellow pages for consignment/thrift shops

eBay.com

Sell it on eBay or have a trading assistant sell for you

www.i-soldit.com

Merchandiser-to sell furniture 610-670-2300

Muller Rare Coins and Fine Jewelry

Sell gold, coins and pocket watches 1 N. 4th Street, Hamburg 610-562-7687

Nothing's New

All clothing, toys, household items 11&30 Funston Ave., Reading 610-775-1286; M-F: 9-5, Sat: 9-4

Play it Again Sports

Sporting goods and exercise equipment 3949 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading 610-779-8360

M-F: 10-8:30, Sat: 10-8, Su: 12-5

RECYCLE IT: You can recycle just about anything. Don't add to the landfills!

Berks County Recycling

www.co.berks.pa.us/recycling/site/defau lt.asp; 610-478-6362

Best Buy-recycles all electronics; anything with a screen up to 32", pay \$10 and get a gift card

Batteries

- East Penn Manufacturing Deka Road-Lyon Station 610-682-6361 or
- Exide Corporation Spring Valley Rd & Montrose Ave., Reading; 610-916-1860

Bicycles

- Community Bike Works 235 N Madison, Allentown 610-434-1140
- Bethlehem Bicycle Co-op 60 W Broad St #195, Bethlehem 610-954-5744
- Kutztown Jr. High Cycling Club 10 Deisher Ln, Kutztown 610-683-3575

Bra recycling

http://www.brarecycling.com/

Cell Phones

- Berks Women in Crisis 645 Penn Street, 2nd Floor, Reading 610-373-1206 **or**
- Best Buy
- Opportunity House
 430 N. 2nd Street, Reading
 610-374-4696, ext.226;
 M-F: 8:30-4:30 or
- Berks Deaf and Hard of Hearing 2045 Centre Ave., Reading 610-374-8517
 MTTh: 8-4, W: 8-7, F: 8-1

Computer Equipment

- Best Buy
 Any location will recycle computer parts. Charge for screens, but receive gift card.
- EZPCRecycling 333 S. Hull Street, Sinking Spring 610-621-4944; M-F: 8:30-4
- Also on-line:

 www.dell.com/recycling
 www.hp.com/recycle
 www.apple.com/environment/recyclin
 g/ program
 www.cristina.org
 www.teamchildren.com

Hazardous Waste Collection

Call for list of acceptable items or see website for next hazardous waste or electronics collection. 610-478-6362 or www.co.berks.pa.us/swa

Ink-jet Cartridges

Go to Cartridge World to get it refilled or take it to Office Max or Staples for credit.

Prescription Glasses (Lion's Club) Drop off box at Sovereign Banks, Eyeland, & Redner's Market in Shillington

Recycling Centers

See Yellow Pages under recycling. Centers may take items or charge a small fee: washers, dryers, air conditioners, mattresses, metals, tires, plastics, & more.

Shredding Documents & Discs

- United Document Destruction & Storage; 1110 Commons Blvd., Reading; \$30 for <250lbs. and receive a certificate 610-927-2100; M-F: 7:30-3
- Office Max-pay by the pound Call your local store

<u>Sneakers</u>-Sneaker Villa recycles old sneakers

Towels and blankets-local animal shelters

More Information: www.earth911.org www.overhall.com/directorytoc.htm

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