

# Donation opportunities



Donating usable items to charitable organizations is a great way to help your community. You'll also save money and keep items out of the landfill.

Find donation opportunities in Hennepin County.



# Got stuff to donate?

These organizations accept many different types of items. The programs and services listed here are either funded by the proceeds from the sale of your donations or use the donated goods as part of their charitable programs. Check organization websites or call for accepted items before donating.

Name	Books and Music	Clothing and Accessories	Household Items	Furniture	School and Office Supplies	Sporting Goods	Toys	Home pickup service available
Arc's Value Village Thrift Store <a href="http://arcvaluevillage.org">arcvaluevillage.org</a> Bloomington 952-818-8708 Brooklyn Center 763-503-3534 New Hope 763-544-0006 Richfield 612-861-9550	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Assistance League Thrift Shop <a href="http://althriftshop.org">althriftshop.org</a> Richfield 612-866-2135	X	X	X	X				
Bethesda Thrift Shop <a href="http://bethesdalutherancommunities.org/thrift-shops">bethesdalutherancommunities.org/thrift-shops</a> Minnetonka 952-939-0988	X	X	X	X	X		X	
Bibles for Missions Thrift Store <a href="http://biblesformissionscrystal.org">biblesformissionscrystal.org</a> Crystal 763-522-1786	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bridging <a href="http://bridging.org">bridging.org</a> Bloomington 952-888-1105			X	X				X
Companies to Classrooms <a href="http://companiestoclassrooms.org">companiestoclassrooms.org</a> Bloomington 952-888-7708					X			
C.R.O.S.S. <a href="http://crossservices.org">crossservices.org</a> Rogers 763-425-1050		X	X					
Disabled American Vets <a href="http://davmn.org">davmn.org</a> St Paul 651-487-2002	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
The Free Store at Central Lutheran <a href="http://centralmpls.org/community/freestore/">centralmpls.org/community/freestore/</a> Minneapolis 612-870-4416		X	X					
Furnish Office & Home <a href="http://furnishofficeandhome.org">furnishofficeandhome.org</a> Minneapolis 612-789-3322				X	X			X

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Goodwill <a href="http://goodwilleasterseals.org">goodwilleasterseals.org</a> Bloomington 952-881-2468 Champlin 763-421-0035 Hopkins 952-935-2760 Maple Grove (Dunkirk Ln) 763-420-8013 Maple Grove (80th Cir) 763-416-3681 Minneapolis 612-866-0116 Minnetonka 952-544-6648 Plymouth 763-208-5535 Rogers 763-428-2256 St Louis Park 952-920-8121	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Hidden Treasures Thrift Store <a href="http://hiddentreasuresonline.org">hiddentreasuresonline.org</a> St. Anthony 612-706-3223	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hope Chest for Breast Cancer Shop <a href="http://hopechest.us">hopechest.us</a> Bloomington 952-217-4655 Wayzata 952-471-8700		X		X				X
Leonardo's Basement <a href="http://leonardosbasement.org">leonardosbasement.org</a> Minneapolis 612-824-4394			X		X		X	
PROP Shop <a href="http://propshopep.org">propshopep.org</a> Eden Prairie 952-934-2323	X	X	X	X			X	
St. Olaf Catholic Church Samaritan Ministry <a href="http://saintolaf.org/samaritan-ministry">saintolaf.org/samaritan-ministry</a> Minneapolis 612-332-7471		X	X					
Salvation Army <a href="http://satruck.org">satruck.org</a> Bloomington 952-881-6197 Minneapolis 612-822-1200	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sharing and Caring Hands <a href="http://sharingandcaringhands.org">sharingandcaringhands.org</a> Minneapolis 612-338-4640		X	X				X	
Shop for Change Thrift Shop <a href="http://prismmpls.org/shop">prismmpls.org/shop</a> Golden Valley 763-529-1350		X	X					
Society of St Vincent de Paul Thrift Store <a href="http://svdpmpls.org">svdpmpls.org</a> Minneapolis 612-722-7882	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Vietnam Veterans of America <a href="http://clothingdonations.org">clothingdonations.org</a> Metro Area 651-778-8387	X	X	X		X	X	X	X

# Organizations that accept one type of item

Some organizations specialize in accepting a particular type of item.

## Automobiles and vehicles



Autos For Arc  
[autosforarc.org](http://autosforarc.org)  
Metro area 877-778-7709

Cars for Courage Kenny  
[allinahealth.org/Cars-for-Courage-Kenny](http://allinahealth.org/Cars-for-Courage-Kenny)  
Minneapolis 612-775-2500

Vehicles for Veterans  
[vehiclesforveterans.org](http://vehiclesforveterans.org)  
St. Louis Park 844-234-2328

National Kidney Foundation  
[kidneycars.org](http://kidneycars.org)  
St. Paul 800-488-2277

Newgate Education Center  
[newgateschool.org](http://newgateschool.org)  
Minneapolis 612-378-0177

Salvation Army  
[satruck.org/vehicle/create](http://satruck.org/vehicle/create)  
National 800-728-7825

Sharing and Caring Hands  
[sharingandcaringhands.org](http://sharingandcaringhands.org)  
Minneapolis 612-338-4640

Society of St Vincent DePaul  
<https://svdpusa.careasy.org/>  
National 800-322-8284

## Books



Book'em Used Book Sale  
[bcpamn.org](http://bcpamn.org)  
Bloomington 952-220-2537

Books for Africa  
[booksforafrica.org](http://booksforafrica.org)  
St. Paul 651-602-9844

Friends of the Hennepin County Libraries  
[supportthclib.org](http://supportthclib.org)  
County-wide 612-543.8100

Women's Prison Book Project  
[wpbp.org](http://wpbp.org)  
Minneapolis

## Building supplies and furniture



TC Habitat for  
Humanity's ReStore  
[restore.tchabitat.org](http://restore.tchabitat.org)  
New Brighton  
612-588-3820  
Minneapolis  
612-588-3820

## Business Attire



Ready for Success  
[readyforsuccessmn.org](http://readyforsuccessmn.org)  
Minneapolis 612-872-1509

## Eyeglasses



Lions Eyeglass Recycling Program  
[lionsclubs.org/EN/how-we-serve/health/sight/eyeglass-recycling.php](http://lionsclubs.org/EN/how-we-serve/health/sight/eyeglass-recycling.php)  
National  
Drop-off in Lions-sponsored collection boxes in your community.

OneSight—Give the Gift of Sight  
[onesight.org/faqs](http://onesight.org/faqs)  
Drop off at LensCrafters, Sears Optical or Pearle Vision

## Girl's and Women's Formalwear

Operation Glass Slipper  
[operationglassslipper.org](http://operationglassslipper.org)  
Metro area

## Hearing aids



HEAR NOW: Starkey Hearing Foundation  
Hearing Aid Recycling  
[starkeyhearingfoundation.org/hearing-aid-recycling](http://starkeyhearingfoundation.org/hearing-aid-recycling)  
National 800-328-8602

Help the Children Hear  
[helpthechildrenhear.org](http://helpthechildrenhear.org)  
National

## Medical equipment



Courage Kenny  
Used Equipment  
[allinahealth.org/CKFoundation](http://allinahealth.org/CKFoundation)  
Minneapolis  
612-775-2589

DAV Minnesota  
[davn.org/medical-goods](http://davn.org/medical-goods)  
St. Paul 651-291-1212

# Tips

## Check with organizations before donating

- Each organization has a specific list of items they will accept. Check their website or call before bringing your items.
- Check what days and hours they are open to take donations. Never leave items outside organizations after hours.
- Some organizations offer pick-up services. Check for availability and fees.

## Donate items in good condition

- Items should be safe to use.
- No recalled items, cracked helmets, etc. Check safety issues listed by the Consumers' Product Safety Commission, [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov)
- Clothing should be washed or dry-cleaned.
- Furniture should be structurally sound and have no stains or tears.
- Electrical items should work.
- Electrical cords should have no exposed wiring.

## Seasonal items

- Donate them during the appropriate season.
- Donate snowsuits in the fall, golf clubs in the spring, for example.

## Good to know

- Determine Fair Market Value for your donated goods at the IRS publication 561: [irs.gov/uac/About-Publication-561](http://irs.gov/uac/About-Publication-561)

## Choose to reuse it



Get info for everyday living on the Choose to Reuse website.

[hennepin.us/choosetoreuse](http://hennepin.us/choosetoreuse)

# Tips

## Do not donate household hazardous waste

Household hazardous waste includes cleaners, paint, fluorescent light bulbs.

Check the Green Disposal Guide for proper disposal options:  
[hennepin.us/greendisposalguide](http://hennepin.us/greendisposalguide)

It is very expensive for non-profits to properly discard of unusable or hazardous items, so please be careful about what you donate.



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