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## WHAT TO DO WITH HARD-TO-RECYCLE ITEMS IN NYC

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*\*IF YOU DON'T KNOW IF AN ITEM IS ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION (DSNY), CONTACT THEM ([SEE BELOW](#)).*

*\*CALL ORGANIZATIONS BEFORE BRINGING OR SENDING MATERIALS.*

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

- *FreeCycle.org*; [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org); [freecyclenewyorkcity-moderator@yahoogroups.com](mailto:freecyclenewyorkcity-moderator@yahoogroups.com) (Online materials exchange).
- *GrowNYC*, (212) 788-7964; [www.grownyc.org](http://www.grownyc.org). ("Stop N' Swap" goods exchanges, composting, textiles)
- *Lower East Side Ecology*, (212) 477-4022; [www.lesecologycenter.org](http://www.lesecologycenter.org). (E-Waste collection, composting)
- *Morningside Heights-West Harlem Sanitation Coalition*, (212) 666-6157; Joan Levine, [jslevine100@msn.com](mailto:jslevine100@msn.com). (Recycling events and information)
- *NYC Department of Sanitation*, call 311; <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/home>. (For more on recycling collection schedules, NYC recycling information and laws, and other ways to reduce the waste stream)
- *ReUse NYC Donations Exchange*, (212) 650-5832; <http://exchange.reusenyc.info/exchange/>. [donations@reusenyc.info](mailto:donations@reusenyc.info). (Materials exchange service for businesses and non-profits).

- *Upper Green Side*; [www.uppergreenside.org](http://www.uppergreenside.org), [uppergreenside@gmail.com](mailto:uppergreenside@gmail.com). (Upper East Side recycling)
- *Upper West Side Recycling*; <https://www.uwsr.org/>; [info@uwsr.org](mailto:info@uwsr.org). (Publisher of the *UWSR Eco Letter*)
- *WeHateToWaste.com*, (212) 879-4160; <http://www.wehatetowaste.com/>.

### **BATTERIES & LIGHTING** (see also Household Hazardous Waste)

*Batteries*: All rechargeable batteries must be recycled; you can bring them back to most stores that sell them. Many jewelers accept button cells. Cover contacts of rechargeable batteries with tape before recycling. Lead-acid car batteries must be accepted by the retailers that sell them.

*Fluorescent Bulbs*: Businesses must recycle fluorescent bulbs. Compact fluorescent light bulbs, which should be bagged, are called CFLs below.

- *Best Buy Stores*; [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com). Uptown locations: 1280 Lexington Avenue (86<sup>th</sup> St.), (917) 492-9959; 1880 Broadway (62<sup>nd</sup> St.), (212) 246-9734; 750 Seventh Avenue, (49<sup>th</sup> St.), (212) 265-3984. (Accepts flashlight-type rechargeable batteries)
- *Big Reuse*, <http://www.bigreuse.org>. Non-profit retail outlet for salvaged or surplus building materials, lighting and appliances. Drop-off centers are located in Brooklyn (69 Ninth Street, Gowanus; 718-725-8925; [brooklyn@bigreuse.org](mailto:brooklyn@bigreuse.org)) and Queens (3-17 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Astoria; 718-777-0132; [queens@bigreuse.org](mailto:queens@bigreuse.org)) accept materials. Pickup and deconstruction services are available for large quantities.
- *Christmas Light Source*, [https://www.christmas-light-source.com/Christmas-Lights-Recycling-Program\\_c\\_210.html](https://www.christmas-light-source.com/Christmas-Lights-Recycling-Program_c_210.html), (866) 926-4877. Recycle your used Christmas tree lights; then replace them with more efficient LEDs.
- *Eastern Environmental Technologies*, 47 Purdy Avenue, Port Chester, NY 10573, (914) 934-2100; (800) 808-7227; [www.easternenvironmental.com](http://www.easternenvironmental.com). (Accepts and recycles bagged fluorescent lights, transformers and ballasts, as well as batteries on a fee basis; will pick up large quantities)
- *Home Depot*, 980 Third Avenue (59<sup>th</sup> St.), (212) 888-1512; 40 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, (212) 929-9571; [www.homedepot.com](http://www.homedepot.com). (Accepts bagged, unbroken CFLs and all flashlight-type batteries)
- *NYC Department of Sanitation*, 74 Pike Slip (between Cherry and South Sts. under the Manhattan Bridge); open 10am-5pm Saturdays and last Friday of the month, except legal holidays; call 311; <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/home>. (Accepts and recycles bagged fluorescent lights, as well as all batteries; call for locations and hours)
- *Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation*, (877) 723-2925; [www.call2recycle.org/newyork](http://www.call2recycle.org/newyork). (Lists stores that take rechargeable batteries in or near your zip code)

### **COMPOST** (Disease-free food scraps and other plant matter only)

- *Avid Waste*, 718-991-9700, [jokun@avidwaste.com](mailto:jokun@avidwaste.com). Provides food-scrap pickups up to three times per week for a fee.
- *Big Re-Use*, 718-725-8925, ext 2, <https://www.bigreuse.org/service/compost/> (Composting site under the Queensborough Bridge) *(Currently inactive)*

- *Build It Green!NYC*, One 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn (718) 725-8925 x2; [www.bignyc.org](http://www.bignyc.org); [compost@bignyc.org](mailto:compost@bignyc.org). (Accepts food scraps at several Queens drop-off sites, does site visits for the DSNY organics Collection Program)
- *GrowNYC Greenmarkets*, (212) 788-7964; [www.grownyc.org/compost](http://www.grownyc.org/compost). (Food scrap compost program at various Greenmarket and Compost-on-the-Go locations; see their website for times. On the Upper West Side: Tucker Square Greenmarket [66<sup>th</sup> and Columbus Avenue] (*currently suspended*), 8 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Saturdays; 79<sup>th</sup> Street Greenmarket [79<sup>th</sup> & Columbus Avenue], 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sundays; 97<sup>th</sup> Street Greenmarket [97<sup>th</sup> & Columbus Avenue], 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Fridays; Columbia University Greenmarket [Broadway between 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Streets] (*currently suspended*), 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays); Inwood Greenmarket, Isham Street between Seaman Avenue and Cooper Street, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturdays.
- *Lower East Side Ecology*, (212) 477-4022; [www.lesecologycenter.org](http://www.lesecologycenter.org). (year-round food scraps and plant matter drop-off sites in lower Manhattan; workshops; composting containers. The closest drop-off site currently open is at Union Square on 17th Street.
- *Mr. T Carting*, 718-821-9706 x 122; <https://mrtcarting.com/>. (Provides food-scrap pickups up to 59th Street for a fee.)
- *NYC Department of Sanitation*, call 311; <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/home>. (Free pick-up of food waste from residential buildings with 10 or more units.)
- *Reclaimed Organics*, (347) 395-6377; <http://www.reclaimedorganics.org/>; [info@ReclaimedOrganics.org](mailto:info@ReclaimedOrganics.org). (Food-scrap drop-off site at 107th and Columbus Avenue; see above under Drop-Off Sites.)
- *Vokashi Kitchen Waste Solutions*, 718-623-2515; <https://vokashi.com/>, [vokashi@gmail.com](mailto:vokashi@gmail.com). (A micro-hauler that picks up food scraps from residential buildings in NYC and Westchester County for a fee.)

## COMPUTERS, CELL PHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

As of April 1, 2015 it became illegal to put E-Waste into your trash. Since April 2011, manufacturers have been required to accept computer equipment at no charge in New York State. For further information, see [www.nyc.gov/nycwasteless/electronics](http://www.nyc.gov/nycwasteless/electronics).

### A. CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS AND RECYCLERS

- *Amazon.com*, [www.amazon.com/trade-in](http://www.amazon.com/trade-in). (You can get a store credit when you trade in electronic equipment.)
- *Computers for Youth*, 520 Eighth Avenue; (917) 677-5506; [www.cfy.org](http://www.cfy.org); [CFY-NYC@cfy.org](mailto:CFY-NYC@cfy.org). (Accepts newer PC systems from corporations and refurbishes them for reuse in schools and other non-profits; minimum of 50 pieces; will pick up)
- *E-Commerce/Goodwill*, (347) 218-2206. [www.goodwill.org](http://www.goodwill.org); Brooklyn NY. (Free pick-up of large quantities—100 pieces or more—of computers and peripherals, TVs, cell and wall phones, small appliances and other small electronic equipment.)
- *The Fourth Bin*, 708 Third Avenue, 646-747-5985, (855) ECYCLE1; [www.4thbin.com](http://www.4thbin.com); [ecyclenow@4thbin.com](mailto:ecyclenow@4thbin.com). (Accepts computers and peripherals, TVs, other small electronic equipment and phones; will pick up from businesses or residences for a fee)
- *Gazelle.com*, [www.gazelle.com](http://www.gazelle.com). (Buys and sells electronic equipment.)

- *Goodwill*, 157 West 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, (212) 799-2723; 217 West 79<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 874-5050; [www.goodwillnynj.org](http://www.goodwillnynj.org). (Accepts small amounts of a variety of computers and peripherals, TVs [flat screen only], cell and wall phones and other small electronic equipment and some small appliances; items must be in working condition; pick-ups for large quantities from organizations; call first.)
- *Greenchip Electronic Waste Solutions*, 540 Kingsland Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11222, (718) 349-3094; [www.greenchiprecycling.com](http://www.greenchiprecycling.com). (Picks up E-Waste for a per-pound fee)
- *iFixit* provides advice via the internet for those who like to repair things themselves, as well as components and repair manuals for almost anything, including computers and other electronic devices; (866) 613-4948; <https://www.ifixit.com/info>
- *Materials for the Arts*, 33-00 Northern Blvd., Long Island City, NY 11101, (718) 729-3001; [info@mfta.nyc.gov](mailto:info@mfta.nyc.gov); [www.mfta.org](http://www.mfta.org). (Accepts newer computer systems in working condition [up to 5 years old only] and other electronic equipment; will pick up)
- *Non-Profit Computing*, (212) 759-2368; [german63@hotmail.com](mailto:german63@hotmail.com). (Clearing house for a variety of computers, faxes, telephone systems and other electronic equipment)
- *NYC Department of Sanitation (e-cycle NYC)*, call 311 or (212) 437-4675; <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/home>. (Free pickup of E-Waste from residential buildings with ten or more units)
- *nycRecycleMe.com*, (347) 690-5670; <http://www.nycrecycleme.com/>. (Accepts computers, flat screen monitors or TVs, CD/DVD media and portable electronics such as phones or tablets (no CRT monitors or CRT TV's please. Call or e-mail to schedule a pickup or get more information, [nycrecycleme@gmail.com](mailto:nycrecycleme@gmail.com)).
- *Per Scholas*, 1375 Bronx River Avenue, Bronx NY 10460, (718) 991-8400, (800)-877-4068; [www.perscholas.org](http://www.perscholas.org). (Picks up computer systems, including monitors, components and cell phones for a fee, depending on quantity and quality; free IT training courses)
- *Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation*, (877) 723-2925; [www.call2recycle.org](http://www.call2recycle.org). (Lists cell phone recycling locations)
- *Salvation Army*, 268 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, NYC, (212) 663-2258, (212) 337-7200; [www.salvationarmy-newyork.org](http://www.salvationarmy-newyork.org). (Accepts small amounts of a variety of computers and peripherals, TVs, cell and wall phones and other small electronic equipment and some small appliances; call first. Free pick-up service is available at <https://satruck.org/> or call (212) 757-2311 or (800) 728-7825; items should be in working condition; two-bag minimum.)
- *St. Francis Thrift Store*, 217 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 932-8040; open 12-6 pm, Wed-Sun (call first); (Accepts electronic goods)
- *United War Veterans Council*, (212) 693-1476; <https://uwvc.org/recycle/>. (Will pick up computers and other electronic goods, including small appliances; can be mixed with other household items; no minimum quantity, though they prefer at least one bag or box.)

#### B. MANUFACTURER AND RETAIL TAKE-BACK PROGRAMS

- *Best Buy Stores*, [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com). Uptown locations: 1280 Lexington Avenue (86<sup>th</sup> St.), (917) 492-9959; 1880 Broadway (62<sup>nd</sup> St.), (212) 246-9734; 750 Seventh Avenue (49<sup>th</sup> St.), (212) 265-3984. (Accepts a wide variety of electronic equipment, computers and peripherals, video and audio equipment, ink and toner cartridges, cameras, as well as some appliances such as fans, vacuum cleaners and hairdryers; call first.)
- *Staples*, [www.staples.com](http://www.staples.com). (Accepts computer equipment, ink-jet and toner cartridges; no TVs)

- Verizon, [www.verizonwireless.com/hopeline](http://www.verizonwireless.com/hopeline). (Accepts used cell phones and accessories at their stores)

#### C. ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- *Assemblyman Daniel O'Donnell*, 245 West 104<sup>th</sup> Street; (212) 866-3970. (Office accepts used cell phones for re-use or recycling on an on-going basis.)
- *Lower East Side Ecology*, (212) 477-4022; [www.lesecologycenter.org](http://www.lesecologycenter.org). (Hosts E-Waste recycling events during the year throughout Manhattan)
- *Take-Back or Drop-Off*: Free mail-back options – the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation maintains a website <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/82084.html> that lists manufacturers that take back unwanted electronics.

#### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS AND MEDICAL WASTE

- *Bethlehem Apparatus Co., Inc.*, 890 Front Street, PO Box Y, Hellertown, PA 18055; (610) 838-7034 [phone]; (610) 838-6333 [fax]; [info@bethlehemapparatus.com](mailto:info@bethlehemapparatus.com). (Recycles mercury thermometers, fluorescent lamps [large and CFL's], and batteries [small alkaline and button cells])
- *Jewish Community Chapel*, 630 Amsterdam Avenue (91<sup>st</sup> Street); *please call first* at (212) 769-4400. Working with the Afya Foundation in Yonkers (<https://afyafoundation.org/>). (Accepts usable medical equipment and supplies, including items used in hospice care, with the exception of bedding.)
- *NYC Department of Sanitation*, call 311 for information, instructions and locations of sites and events; <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/home>. (Holds SAFE Disposal Events and also has Special Waste Sites: SAFE Disposal Events accept all potentially harmful products including paint, oil, pharmaceuticals, pesticides, light bulbs, cleaners and other materials. The Special Waste Site in Manhattan at 74 Pike Slip [between Cherry and South Sts. under the Manhattan Bridge] accepts latex paint, motor oil and filters, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, thermostats and mercury-containing devices on a weekly basis. The site is open from 10am-5pm every Saturday and the last Friday of the month, except legal holidays. There is also another drop-off site in the South Bronx.)

#### PAPER SHREDDING

- *Time Shred Services*, (800) 989-8463, (718) 875-1299; [www.timeshred.com](http://www.timeshred.com).
- [www.nyc.gov/ShredFest](http://www.nyc.gov/ShredFest). (Yearly paper shredding events in each borough)
- For information on paper shredding events in Upper Manhattan, see <https://thisweekatthemarket.wordpress.com/>

#### PLASTIC

All rigid (non-film) plastic, except Styrofoam, is now collected by the NYC Department of Sanitation;

this includes CDs and DVDs. *Info:* Call 311 or <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/home>. Plastic bags are required to be accepted for recycling in stores of more than 10,000 sq. ft. and with more than five NYC locations.

#### CDs, DVDs and Cassette Tapes (CDs can also be put into your plastics recycling)

- *Best Buy Stores*; [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com). Uptown locations: 1280 Lexington Avenue (86<sup>th</sup> St.), (917) 492-8870; 1880 Broadway (62<sup>nd</sup> St.), (212) 246-9734; 750 Seventh Avenue (49<sup>th</sup> St.), (212) 265-3984. (Accept CDs, DVDs and cassette tapes)
- *GreenDisk*; (800) 305-DISK, (425) 392-8700; <http://www.greendisk.com/>. (You can mail smaller quantities of CDs, cassettes, DVDs to them for a set fee; arrangements can be made for them to pick up larger quantities.)
- *Holy Name Roman Catholic Church Thrift Store*, 96<sup>th</sup> Street between Broadway and Amsterdam Avenue, Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (closed Mondays)
- *Lower East Side Ecology*, (212) 477-4022; [www.lesecologycenter.org](http://www.lesecologycenter.org). (Accepts CDs, DVDs and cassette tapes for a per-pound fee at its collection events and warehouse.)
- *Salvation Army*, 96<sup>th</sup> Street betw. Broadway & West End Avenue, Monday-Tuesday/Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. (closed Sundays)
- *Westsider Books*, 233 West 72 Street, <http://westsiderbooks.com>, (212) 874-1588. Buy or sell CDs

#### Miscellaneous

- *Ashley Resins*, 5114 Fort Hamilton Pkwy, Brooklyn, NY 11219, (718) 851-8111; [www.ashleypolymers.com](http://www.ashleypolymers.com); [mail@ashleypolymers.com](mailto:mail@ashleypolymers.com). (Accepts 5-gallon polycarbonate bottles from water coolers as well as items made of nylon and other plastic resins; will pick up in large quantities)
- *Mail Boxes, Etc. and UPS Stores* (various locations), (800) 789-4623. (Accepts expanded polystyrene [Styrofoam] peanuts and other packaging material)
- *Plastic Film Recycling*, <https://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/> for drop-off locations for plastic film (including bags); many large grocery stores accept plastic bags and film.

#### **TEXTILES: FABRIC, SHEETS, CLOTHING, ETC. - No carpet recycling in NYC.**

Wearable clothing may also be donated to thrift shops—see below.

##### A. RECYCLERS

- *Emerson Recycling*, 65 Emerson Place, Brooklyn, NY 11205, (718) 622-1799. (Accepts mixed textile cuttings from companies and ships them overseas for reprocessing and reuse; picks up for free or for a per-pound fee, depending on quality and quantity)
- *Grow NYC*, (212) 788-7964, (212) 788-7964, (212) 788-7476; [www.grownyc.org/clothing](http://www.grownyc.org/clothing). (Textiles are accepted at the 79<sup>th</sup> Street Greenmarket [79<sup>th</sup> & Columbus Avenue], 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays; at the 97<sup>th</sup> Street Greenmarket [97<sup>th</sup> & Columbus Avenue], 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Fridays; and at Columbia University Greenmarket [Broadway betw. 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Sts.], 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays and Sundays; also accepted in Inwood and other Manhattan locations; check website for hours) *(All textile collection by GrowNYC is currently suspended)*
- *re-fashionNYC*, call 311; [www.nyc.gov/refashion](http://www.nyc.gov/refashion). (A partnership between the NYC Sanitation Dept. and Housing Works; free pick-up of textiles from residential buildings with 10 or more units)

- *United War Veterans Council*, (212) 693-1476; <https://uwvc.org/recycle/>. (Will pick up clothing and other textiles; can be mixed with other household items; no minimum quantity, though they prefer at least one bag or box.)
- *Wearable Collections*, (646) 515-4387; [www.wearablecollections.com](http://www.wearablecollections.com). (Free pick-up of all textiles, except carpeting, from residential buildings, greenmarkets and community organizations; they will site a container in larger buildings or make a weekly pick-up of a minimum of 4-5 large bags of materials; pick-up days are scheduled according to zip code; contact them for more details)

#### B. THRIFT SHOPS ON UPPER WEST SIDE AND SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS

- *Cathedral of St. John the Divine Clothing Closet*, 1047 Amsterdam Avenue (112<sup>th</sup> Street), (212) 316-7540; <http://www.stjohndivine.org/social/nutrition-health-clothing-center/clothing-closet>; [ccc@stjohndivine.org](mailto:ccc@stjohndivine.org). (Accepts gently used casual and business attire.)
- *Center at the Red Oak*, 135 West 106<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 749-7015, <https://www.wsfssh.org/senior-center/>
- *Goodwill*, 157 West 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, (212) 799-2723; 217 West 79<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 874-5050; [www.goodwillnynj.org](http://www.goodwillnynj.org). (Accepts clothing and other textiles, shoes, etc.; will site containers in large residential buildings; pick-ups for large quantities from organizations; call first.)
- *Housing Works*, 306 Columbus Avenue between 74<sup>th</sup> & 75<sup>th</sup> Streets, (212) 579-7566; and 2569 Broadway between 96<sup>th</sup> & 97<sup>th</sup> Streets, (212) 222-3550; [www.housingworks.org](http://www.housingworks.org).
- *Humane Society of New York*, [http://www.humanesocietyny.org/donations/wish\\_list.php](http://www.humanesocietyny.org/donations/wish_list.php) (accepts pillows, comforters and towels for animal bedding)
- *New York City Rescue Mission*, <http://nycrescue.org/give>, (646) 362-3157. (Organizes distribution of pillows, comforters, clothing, footwear and towels to homeless shelters)
- *NYC Mamas Give Back*, 44 Wall Street, A Level, New York, NY 10005; <https://www.nycmamasgiveback.org/>; [info@nycmamasgiveback.org](mailto:info@nycmamasgiveback.org) (accepts gently used clothing and other textiles and supplies for infants and young children in poor families)
- *ReUse NYC Donations Exchange*, (212) 650-5832; <http://exchange.reusenyc.info/exchange/donations@reusenyc.info>. (Materials exchange service for businesses and non-profits).
- *Salvation Army*, 268 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 663-2258, (212) 337-7200; [www.salvationarmy-newyork.org](http://www.salvationarmy-newyork.org). (Free pick-up of clothing, other textiles, shoes, etc. is available at <https://satruck.org/> or call (212) 757-2311 or (800) 728-7825; items should be wearable or useable; two-bag minimum.)
- *St. Francis Thrift Store*, 217 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 932-8040; open 12-6 pm, Wed-Sun (call first); (Accepts used clothing,)

#### CARPETING

- *CarpetCycle*, 360 West 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Roselle, NJ 07203; tel: (973) 732-4858; [www.carpetcycle.com](http://www.carpetcycle.com); [info@carpetcycle.com](mailto:info@carpetcycle.com). (Removes and recycles old carpet tiles and padding from commercial buildings for a fee)

## MISCELLANEOUS (NURSING HOMES AND SENIOR CENTERS OFTEN ACCEPT DONATIONS OF BOOKS OR MAGAZINES)

- *Big Reuse*, <http://www.bigreuse.org>. Non-profit retail outlet for salvaged or surplus building materials, lighting and appliances. Drop-off centers are located in Brooklyn (69 Ninth Street, Gowanus; 718-725-8925; [brooklyn@bigreuse.org](mailto:brooklyn@bigreuse.org)) and Queens (3-17 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Astoria; 718-777-0132; [queens@bigreuse.org](mailto:queens@bigreuse.org)) accept materials. Pickup and deconstruction services are available for large quantities.
- *Books Through Bars*, Brooklyn, NY, (212) 254-3697; [www.booksthroughbarsnyc.org](http://www.booksthroughbarsnyc.org). (Donates books to prisoners)
- *Build It Green!NYC*, One 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn (718) 725-8925 x2; [www.bignyc.org](http://www.bignyc.org). (Accepts building materials, furniture, fixtures and appliances)
- *Good+ Foundation*, 306 West 37<sup>th</sup> Street 8<sup>th</sup> floor, NYC; (212) 736-1777; <https://goodplusfoundation.org/>; [info@goodplusfoundation.org](mailto:info@goodplusfoundation.org); (infants' and children's supplies, toys, and clothing)
- *Goodwill*, 157 West 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, (212) 799-2723; 217 West 79<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 874-5050; [www.goodwillnynj.org](http://www.goodwillnynj.org). (Accepts a variety of household items; *no* furniture.)
- *Housing Works*, 306 Columbus Avenue between 74<sup>th</sup> & 75<sup>th</sup> Streets, (212) 579-7566; and 2569 Broadway between 96<sup>th</sup> & 97<sup>th</sup> Streets, (212) 222-3550; [www.housingworks.org](http://www.housingworks.org). (Accepts furniture and miscellaneous goods; *no* electronics or appliances; home pick-up available for furniture; call first)
- *iFixit* provides advice via the internet for those who like to repair things themselves, as well as components and repair manuals for almost anything, including computers and other electronic devices; (866) 613-4948; <https://www.ifixit.com/info>
- *NYC Mamas Give Back*, 44 Wall Street, A Level, New York, NY 10005; <https://www.nycmammagiveback.org/>; [info@nycmammagiveback.org](mailto:info@nycmammagiveback.org) (support to agencies and shelters in the NYC area serving homeless pregnant woman and families and young children at or below the poverty line)
- *Pedals for Progress*, High Bridge, NJ, (908) 638-4811; [www.p4p.org](http://www.p4p.org); [pdls4@comcast.net](mailto:pdls4@comcast.net). (Accepts used bicycles and sewing machines)
- *Pop-up-Repair*, [www.popuprepair.com/](http://www.popuprepair.com/); [fixit@popuprepair.com](mailto:fixit@popuprepair.com). (Can fix, alter, sharpen, shine, and polish almost anything.)
- *Recycle-a-Bicycle NYC*, 75 Avenue C, NYC, (212) 475-1655; [www.recycleabicycle.org](http://www.recycleabicycle.org). (Accepts used bicycles)
- *Re Lit NY*; [www.relitny.org](http://www.relitny.org). (Collects books and distributes them to the public; there is a drop-off box for Re LIT at Whole Foods at 97<sup>th</sup> & Columbus)
- *ReUse NYC Donations Exchange*, (212) 650-5832; <http://exchange.reusenyc.info/exchange/donations@reusenyc.info>. (Materials exchange service for businesses and non-profits).
- *Salvation Army*, 268 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, NYC, (212) 663-2258, (212) 337-7200; [www.salvationarmy-newyork.org](http://www.salvationarmy-newyork.org). (Free pick-up of bicycles, books, furniture and other household goods is available at <https://satruck.org/> or call (212) 757-2311 or (800) 728-7825; items should be wearable or useable; two-bag minimum).
- *St . Agnes Library*, 444 Amsterdam Avenue, between West 81<sup>st</sup> and West 82<sup>nd</sup> Streets, <https://www.nypl.org/blog/2019/07/05/donating-books-st-agnes-library>, (212) 621-0619 (accepts donations of books in good condition from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays; call first).

- *St. Francis Thrift Store*, 217 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, (212) 932-8040; open 12-6 pm, Wed-Sun (call first); (Accepts household items, toys; no books or CDs)
- *United War Veterans Council*, (212) 693-1476; <https://uwvc.org/recycle/>. (Will pick up a variety of household items; no minimum quantity, though they prefer at least one bag or box.)
- *Whole Foods*, 97th & Columbus Avenue. (Accepts wine bottle corks [real cork, not plastic])

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