

Resident Move Out Recycling and Reuse Resources

As you prepare to move out of your home, please recycle or reuse items to help the environment, the community, and the economy. Below you'll find suggestions to assist you with your effort to recycle or reuse materials. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Household Hazardous Waste

Take products that say DANGER, WARNING or CAUTION to HazoHouse at the Thurston County Waste and Recovery Center, 2418 Hogum Bay Road N.E. in Lacey. From I-5, take Exit 111, head north on Marvin Road, and turn east into the facility entrance. The site is open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday only, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (except major holidays).

Household hazardous waste items cannot be poured down the drain, on the ground, or into storm drains and may not be placed in the trash. Examples of household hazardous waste include the following:

- Oil, oil filters, antifreeze and car batteries
- Cleaning supplies such as drain cleaners, bleach and ammonia
- Fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, flea powder and snail and slug bait
- Rechargeable batteries
- Oil based paint, solvents and spot removers
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs and ballasts



Where Do I Take My? . . .

You'll be amazed at how many items you can donate or recycle in Thurston County. Check out www.WhereDoITakeMy.org to view listings of local reuse and recycling locations throughout Thurston County. If you do not have access to the internet, you can always call Thurston County Solid Waste at (360) 867-2491.

Choose to Reuse

The term "reuse" means more than just using the same product over and over yourself – you can also pass on items you no longer need to others.



Consider selling or giving away items on the following websites:

- www.2good2toss.com -- all items are \$200 or less.
- seattle.craigslist.org/oly/ -- has no price limits.
- www.usedolympia.com -- has no price limits.
- www.freecycle.org -- requires all items to be free.

You'll find more recycling and reuse resources on the back of this sheet.

Resident Recycling and Reuse Resource Shortlist Directory

Appliances: Many businesses recycle used appliances for free or for a small charge. Some even provide collection service. Appliances may also be recycled at the Thurston County Waste and Recovery Center for a fee.

Clothing and other household items: Check the yellow pages for local nonprofits and thrift stores or post the items on one of the reuse websites listed on the front of this sheet.

Computers and electronics: Working electronics can be sold or given away. In addition, many local businesses accept working or non-working electronics (fees may apply). Manufacturers are now required by state law to offer recycling services for certain electronic items at no cost to residents, nonprofits, small business, schools and local governments. The law took effect January 1, 2009 and applies to the following items only: TVs, desktop computers, laptop computers and monitors. Check the listings on www.WhereDoITakeMy.org or call Thurston County Solid Waste at (360) 867-2491 for more information on electronics.



Furniture and other bulky items: List items on one of the reuse websites listed on the front of this sheet. Several local nonprofits and charities will accept these items and may even provide pickup service.

Moving boxes and packing materials: People are always looking for these items. You can post moving supplies on one of the reuse websites listed on the front of this sheet. Also consider posting a sign at your housing complex.



Plastic grocery bags and film: Many grocery stores offer collection bins for used plastic grocery bags. You can also put other types of plastic film in the store bins, such as bread bags and dry cleaning bags. The rule of thumb is to recycle any plastic film that you can poke your finger through easily (except cling wrap).

Polystyrene (Styrofoam®): Packing peanuts are accepted for reuse by many businesses. Call the automated National Peanut Hotline at 1-800-828-2214 or go to www.loosefillpacking.com and enter your zip code. Many locations also accept bubble wrap. Polystyrene pieces, other than packing peanuts, can be taken to a free collection station in front of the DART Container Corporation at 600 Israel Road S.E. in Tumwater. Make sure the polystyrene features the number six recycling symbol and is free of trash, clean and placed in a clear, sealed bag. For more information, call DART at (360) 352-7045.

**For more recycling and reuse options, please visit
www.WhereDoITakeMy.org.**

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