



Renewed Thrift Shop

DONATION GUIDELINES

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The Renewed Thrift Shop is an upscale thrift store. We accept donations and the revenue from the sale of those donations help fund Circle of Freedom ministries for women struggling with addictions including jail ministry, mentoring/Biblical counseling, and our women's residential home. We gratefully accept gently used donations that can be sold in our store or used by those we minister to in support of our mission.

HOW TO GIVE

Donations can be made at the Thrift Shop during normal business hours: Thursdays 10 am-6pm and Fridays/Saturdays 10 am-4 pm. Use the north drive with the "Renewed Thrift Shop" Sign and follow the drive around the back of the building to the Thrift Shop entrance and parking area. **DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS OUTSIDE.**

ITEMS WE CAN ACCEPT

- CLOTHING - clean, quality clothing in good condition. No holes, tears, or stains. Does not need to be in season.
- BOOKS, RECORDS, CD'S & DVD'S (please no rated "R")
- FURNITURE. **(MUST BE PRE-APPROVED)** Must be in good, clean condition. No water damage, stains, holes, tears, smells, or structural damage. No box springs or mattresses.
- ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES.
- JEWELRY.
- SHOES THAT ARE CLEAN AND EXCELLENT CONDITION.
- ACCESSORIES. (Handbags, Ties, Belts, Scarves, etc.)
- HOUSEHOLD ITEMS. (Dishes, Houseware, Knick-Knacks, NO old plastics.)
- LINENS. (Sheets, Towels, Blankets, etc.)
- SMALL WORKING ELECTRICAL ITEMS. (Flat-screen TV's, Clocks, Lamps, etc.) They must be in good working order.
- MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS (Pianos with prior consent). They must be in good shape and in proper working condition.

PESTS: IF YOU HAVE HAD PEST PROBLEMS IN THE LAST YEAR, PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS.

ITEMS WE CANNOT ACCEPT

- Items with no resale value.
- NO OLD PLASTICS: hangers, baby baths, plastic dishes, old shoes that have rubber/plastic, old plastic toys, balls, or household items. (We can NOT recycle old plastics.)
- NO MATTRESSES, BOX SPRINGS, or OLD BED PILLOWS. We DO take clean, quality throw pillows.
- NO LARGE CONSOLE MODEL TELEVISIONS AND STEREOS. No televisions older than 5 years (date can be found on the back of the television).
- NO INFANT or CHILD CAR SEATS.

- NO BABY CRIBS
- NO ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN RECALLED such as baby items, toys, infant furniture,
- NO dirty or broken toys or with missing parts.
- NO small infant items that could be swallowed.
- NO LARGE HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES
- NO EXERCISE EQUIPMENT - Treadmills, ellipticals, etc.
- NO FIREARMS
- NO VEHICLES
- NO AUTOMOBILE PARTS: Such as tires, wheels, batteries, seats, body parts and engines. (We do not sell these items in our store and disposal is expensive.)
- NO PAINT OR CHEMICALS OF ANY KIND. (We are not allowed to sell these items in our stores, nor are we allowed to dispose of them in the landfill.)
- NO KEROSENE OR GAS HEATERS. (We are not licensed to handle or sell items of this kind in store and disposal is restricted.)
- NO VHS OR CASSETTE TAPES.
- NO ITEMS WITH ODORS, SMOKE, STRONG ANIMAL SMELLS OR HAIR. There are many people who are allergic to animal smells/hairs, smoke. It is very difficult to remove from items, and they leave an unpleasant odor throughout the whole building.
- NO OBSOLETE/NON-WORKING ELECTRONIC ITEMS, FAX MACHINES, PRINTERS, COMPUTERS, LAPTOPS. If you have a good used computer/laptop to donate MUST be Windows 10 and have prior approval.
- NO MAGAZINES AND/OR ENCYCLOPEDIAS.

HELP REDUCE EXPENSES: - All donations that Renewed Thrift Shop can sell in its store are greatly appreciated. However, when we receive items that cannot be used, we must pay to dispose or recycle them. That raises our expenses and reduces the resources that we have available to fund Circle of Freedom ministries. Please dispose of "Items We Cannot Accept" through an alternative, responsible resource, such as your local recycling center.

GUIDELINES: This list is to be used as a guideline (and is subject to change). There are many items we can use in the store that are not on the list. There may be other items which we will need to turn down due to size, condition, or suitability.

TAX DEDUCTIONS: All donations to Renewed Thrift Shop are tax deductible. Simply ask for a receipt and we will gladly provide one. Please create an itemized list of everything you are donating and the amount you determined the value of the items to be (store employees are NOT able to do this for you). They will give you a receipt that verifies you donated bags of clothes, furniture, etc. Staple the receipt you receive from Renewed Thrift Shop to your own itemized list and give it to your tax preparer who will determine what kind of tax deduction you are eligible for.

Thank you very much for donating to Renewed Thrift Shop and Circle of Freedom ministries! God Bless You!