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Donation, ReSale and Disposal Guide

This Guide provides local Donation, ReSale and Disposal resources in London, Ontario. While made with London as the focus, much of the information will apply to the stores regardless of where you live (Staples, Goodwill, Diabetes Canada etc.). Every effort is made to ensure the Guide is current, but it is always best to check the websites to ensure accuracy. Further, the Guide is not meant to be exhaustive and online selling/donating sites such as Craigslist and Kijiji have not been included.

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APPLIANCES

Habitat for Humanity ReStore:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts donations of appliances, large and small. Their website indicates a preference for 10 years old or newer and in white.
- They accept electric and gas appliances.
- Offers **free pick up**.
- For more information and to arrange pick-up: <https://habitat4home.ca/restore/donations>

That Metal Guy

- If the appliance is not suitable for donation or re-sale, That Metal Guy will come and **pick up at no charge**.
- For more information and a detailed list of items: <http://www.thatmetalguy.ca/metal-recycling-items.html>

BEDDING &
TOWELS**Human Society, Animal shelters and Veterinarian clinics:**

- They use old towels and blankets for things such as lining pet cages, cleaning messes, drying wet animals, covering cages if a break from light is needed etc.
- Just make sure there are no holes and no stuffing.

Diabetes Canada:

- Will come and **pick up items at no charge**.
- For more information and to schedule a pickup: <https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Store (SSVP):

- Located at 1005 Elias St. London.
- Accepts donations of gently used bedding and towels.
- For more information: <https://ssvplondon.com/donations/items-needed/>

Goodwill Donation Centres:

- Various locations, please see website.
- For more information: <https://goodwillindustries.ca/donate/>

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BIKES

Big Bike Giveaway:

- This charity collects and repairs bicycles and gives them away for free on one day each year.
- The goal of the program is to get as many people on bikes as possible and is intended to specifically help those needing this resource to get ahead.
- For more information, collection dates and locations: <https://bigbikegiveaway.ca/>

Diabetes Canada:

- Will come and **pick up items at no charge**.
- For more information and to schedule a pickup: <https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

London Central Lions Club:

- Sells reconditioned adult bikes to support the Club and its initiatives.
- **Offers pick up at no charge**, preferably on Monday evenings. But drop offs are appreciated.
- For more information: <https://londoncentrallionsclub.org/index.php/projects-events/bicycle-restore-and-sales-project/>

That Metal Guy:

- If the bike is not suitable for donation or re-sale and contains metal, That Metal Guy will come and **pick up at no charge**.
- For more information and a detailed list of items: <http://www.thatmetalguy.ca/metal-recycling-items.html>

BOOKS

London Public Library (LPL):

- Various locations, please see website.
- The LPL accepts donations of gently used books that may be added to their collection or directed to their annual book sale or Library Store.
- **Small donations can be dropped** off at any branch.
- For **larger donations, contact the Friends of the Library** at 519-661-2448 or visit <http://www.lpl.ca/friendsofthelibrary> for more information.

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CDs, DVDs, LPs,
VHS, BLU RAYS
& VIDEO
GAMES

- See also <http://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/about-my-library/donate/give-books-materials>

The Book Addict:

- Located at 390 Springbank Dr. London.
- Buys used books for resale; call to book an appointment.
- Prices vary depending on condition and demand for book.
- For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/The-Book-Addict-678361875538078/>

Brown & Dickson:

- Located at 567 Richmond St. London.
- Buys used books for resale; doesn't take certain genres.
- Prices vary depending on condition and demand for book.
- For more information: <https://brownanddickson.com/pages/sell-your-books>

Attic Books:

- Located at 240 Dundas St. London.
- Buys used books for resale; call to book an appointment.
- Prices vary depending on condition and demand for book.
- For more information: <https://atticbooks.ca/pages/buying-guide>

Talize:

- Located at 1345 Huron St #1a London.
- Canadian owned and operated national for-profit retailer.
- Receive **\$5 off coupon** towards next purchase when you donate.
- For more information: <https://www.talize.com/donate>

London Public Library (LPL):

- Various locations, please see website.
- The LPL accepts donations of gently used CDs/DVDs, videos and cassettes that may be added to their collection or directed to their annual book sale or Library Store.
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Diabetes Canada:

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- For more information and to schedule a pickup: <https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

The Beat Goes On:

- Located at 1120 Wellington Rd. London.
- Buys CDs, LPs, DVDs, Blu Rays and Video games.
- Items must have all packaging and appropriate cases.
- No appointment necessary.
- Receive cash or credit at the store.
- For more information: <https://www.beatgoeson.com/sell.php>

CLOTHING**Clothing Works:**

- Located at 255 Horton St. E. London and various drop off locations in London and Strathroy.
- Hosted by Goodwill, Clothing Works looks for donations of men's and women's interview clothing to help meet the demands of job seekers.
- For more information, locations, hours and items needed: <https://clothingworks.ca/>

Anova:

- 101 Wellington Rd. London.
- A shelter for abused women and their children, accepts donations of gently used clothing.
- For more information and an updated list of items they currently need: <http://shelterlondon.org/>

Mission Services of London Store:

- 4-797 York St. London.
- Accepts gently used clothing.

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- For more information:
<https://missionservices.ca/help/missionstore/>

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Store (SSVP):

- 1005 Elias St. London.
- Accepts donations of gently used clothing.
- For more information:
<https://ssvplondon.com/donations/items-needed/>

H&M:

- Various locations, please see website.
- You can **drop off** your unwanted textiles and clothes from any brand and in any condition, in the garment-collecting box at H&M stores where they will be recycled.
- The box is often located next to cash desks.
- You will get **rewarded with a voucher**.
- For more information:
https://www2.hm.com/en_ca/women/shop-by-feature/16r-garment-collecting.html

Diabetes Canada:

- Will come and **pick up items at no charge**.
- For more information and to schedule a pickup:
<https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

My Neighbour's Closet:

- 476 Clarke Rd. London.
- A charitable organization that raises money for London Christian Elementary Schools.
- Accepts donations of clothing in resalable condition.
- **Drop off at store** during store hours.
- For more information: <https://www.londonchristian.ca/my-neighbours-closet-thrift-store-c1134.php>.

Goodwill Donation Centres:

- Various locations, please see website.
- For more information: <https://goodwillindustries.ca/donate/>

CATEGORY**PLACE****Talize:**

- 1345 Huron St. #1a London.
- Canadian owned and operated national for-profit retailer.
- Receive **\$5 off coupon** towards next purchase when you donate.
- For more information: <https://www.talize.com/donate>

Kid Cents & Boutique Top Floor:

- 2182 Wharnccliffe Rd S. London.
- Part of KC Estate and Boutique Services, **Kid Cents** is a place you can sell your gently used children's clothing.
- On the top floor of the building is a shop where you can sell your gently used men's and women's clothing.
- For adult clothing, they are looking largely for current styles (2 years or less old) and have a list of brands they do not accept on their website.
- For more information: <http://kidcents.ca/about-us/boutique-top-floor/>

Once Upon a Child:

- Located at 1070 Wellington Rd #8 London.
- Buys gently used girls and boys and baby clothes.
- Cash on the spot.
- Call ahead to find out what the most wanted items are.
- For more information: <https://onceuponachildlondon.com/how-it-works>

Plato's Closet:

- 1071 Wellington Rd. London.
- Buys gently used teen and young adult style clothing and accessories that are name brands. Typically styles that are still in the malls.
- No appointment necessary and payment on the spot.
- Check with local store for additional information: <https://www.platosclosetlondon.com/what-we-buy>

Style Encore:

- 509 Commissioners Rd. W. London.

CATEGORY**PLACE****ELECTRONICS,
BATTERIES &
CELL PHONES**

(Note: You should remove all personal data from electronics before donating or disposing.)

- Buys gently used, current style, women's clothing, jewelry, shoes and accessories.
- No appointment necessary and payment on the spot.
- For more information: <https://style-encorelondon.com/what-we-buy/Clothing>

Community EnviroDepots:

- 3 locations and **free of charge**: 28 Clarke Road, London, 1450 Oxford Street West, London and 21462 Clarke Road, London.
- **Electronics includes**: computers, printers, radios, stereos, cameras, VCRs, video games, televisions, computer monitors, cell phones, remote control toys etc.
- For more information: <https://www.london.ca/residents/Garbage-Recycling/Recycling/Pages/Depots.aspx>

Habitat for Humanity ReStore:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts donations of non-working computes, cell phones, TVs, cameras, small appliances and most other electronics for e-cycling.
- For more information, locations and hours: <https://habitat4home.ca/restore/donations>

Call2Recycle:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Program collects and recycles batteries and cellphones for retailers including, **Staples, Home Depot, ListenUp Canada and Lowes Canada**.
- For more information and to confirm participating locations: <http://locations.call2recycle.org/on/london/102516/>

Various Henry's BestBuy, Staples Locations:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Some retailers will be refurbishing the cell phones for return to retail purposes and **you are responsible** for ensuring that all personal data is removed from any electronic device prior to bringing it to a drop off location.

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- **No charge** for the service.
- For a full list of retailers and what they accept:
<https://www.recyclemyelectronics.ca/on/>

Diabetes Canada:

- Will come and **pick up items at no charge.**
- For more information and to schedule a pickup:
<https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

Goodwill Donation Centres:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts laptops, PCs, tablets, cell phones, televisions, radios and more.
- They turn the electronics into jobs and training for people. Items that cannot be refurbished for resale will be recycled.
- All donated devices with personal data are “wiped” and refurbished for re-sale in accordance with the “Guidelines for Media Sanitization”.
- Note that some locations may not be able to accept very heavy items. Please call ahead to see if there are any restrictions.
- For more information: <https://goodwillindustries.ca/donate-electronics/>

EYEGLASSES**Walmart Vision Centres:**

- Various locations, please see website.
- Most Walmart Vision Centres accept old prescription glasses to be donated and/or recycled.
- Please check with local Centre to confirm.

London Central Lions Clubs:

- Donated glasses will be sorted, cleaned, read and packaged to be sent to needy people throughout the world.
- For more information:
<https://londoncentrallionsclub.org/index.php/projects-events/bicycle-restore-and-sales-project/>

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FURNITURE

Rowntree Memorial United Church:

- Located at 156 Elliot St. London.
- Donated eyewear is disassembled and sent to a third- party recycler that utilizes the raw materials.
- For more information: <http://rowntreechurch.ca/donate-your-old-eyeglasses/>

Your Own Optometrist:

- Many optometrist offices participate in donation programs, so check with yours to confirm.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Store (SSVP):

- Located at 1005 Elias St. London.
- **Offers pick up service for furniture items and other large donations** that can't be easily transported.
- There is **no charge** for the service.
- Some items, such as large home appliances, mattresses and sofa beds are **not** accepted.
- For more information and pick-up schedule: <https://ssvplondon.com/donations/furniture-pick-up/>

Mission Services of London Store:

- Located at 4-797 York St. London.
- Accepts donations of large furniture as long as clean and in good working condition.
- **No pick up** service.
- For more information: <https://missionservices.ca/help/missionstore/>

Habitat for Humanity ReStore:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts donations of furniture and offers **free pick up**.
- For more information and to arrange for pick-up: <https://habitat4home.ca/restore/donations>

My Neighbour's Closet:

- 476 Clarke Rd. London.

CATEGORYPLACE

- A charitable organization that raises money for London Christian Elementary Schools.
- Accepts donations of furniture in resalable condition.
- Contact to arrange **free pick up of large furniture items**.
- For more information: <https://www.londonchristian.ca/my-neighbours-closet-thrift-store-c1134.php>

Goodwill Donation Centres:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts large furniture at **some** locations. Call to confirm.
- **No pick up** service offered.
- For more information: <https://goodwillindustries.ca/contact-goodwill/>

KC Estate & Boutique Services:

- 2182 Wharncliffe Rd. S. London.
- A consignment shop that sells furniture in its estate section. They look for vintage to modern items and sell everything from paintings, furniture, home accents and lighting.
- You receive 35% of what an item sells for.
- For more information: <http://kidcents.ca/about-us/kc-estate-sales/>

GIFT CARD

Giftcash and CardSwap:

- Got a gift card you won't be using? Get money you can use anyway you want by selling unused gift cards on these sites.
- For more information: <https://giftcash.ca/> and <https://www.cardswap.ca/>

HAZARDOUS
WASTE &
HOUSEHOLD
SPECIAL
WASTE**Household Special Waste Depot:**

- Located at 3502 Manning Dr. London.
- Any material that is "**corrosive, flammable, ignitable or reactive**" is Household Special Waste (HSW) and must be discarded at the HSW Depot.
- There is **no charge** to take your material to the depot.
- Examples of such materials include: bleach, cleansers, batteries, compact fluorescent lights, nail polish, thermostats,

CATEGORY**PLACE****HOUSEHOLD
ITEMS**

(Items such as bakeware, cookware, small appliances, small tables and end tables, dining chairs, cutlery, household décor etc.)

thermometers, carbon monoxide detectors, antifreeze, brake fluid, car care products, paint, paint thinners, fertilizers, pool chemicals and propane tanks.

- For further information and a more comprehensive list: <https://www.london.ca/residents/Garbage-Recycling/Garbage/Pages/Household-Special-Waste.aspx>
- **Note:** Tires, propane tanks, batteries, Fluorescent tubes and bulbs also accepted at these locations **free of charge**.

Diabetes Canada:

- Will come and pick up items at **no charge**.
- Also takes items such as luggage and hand tools.
- For more information and to schedule a pickup: <https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

Anova:

- 101 Wellington Rd. London.
- A shelter for abused women and their children, accepts donations of gently used household items that are in good shape and in good working order.
- If donating a large number of items or if dropping off outside hours of M-F 9-6, please call ahead.
- For more information and an updated list of items they currently need: <http://shelterlondon.org/>

Mission Services of London Store:

- Located at 4-797 York St. London.
- Accepts gently used household items in good shape and working order.
- **Pick up of small items can be arranged.**
- For more information: <https://missionservices.ca/help/missionstore/>

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- Accepts donations of clothing in resalable condition.

CATEGORY**PLACE**

- **Drop off at store during store hours.**
- For more information: <https://www.londonchristian.ca/my-neighbours-closet-thrift-store-c1134.php>

Life Spin Free Store:

- Located at 872 Dundas St. London.
- Accepts donations of towels, bedding, dish and cutlery sets and small appliances in good condition.
- **Drop off during store hours.**
- For more information please visit: https://lifespin-org.doodlekit.com/home/free_store

Goodwill Donation Centres:

- Various locations, please see website.
- For more information: <https://goodwillindustries.ca/donate/>

Once Upon a Child:

- Located at 1070 Wellington Rd #8 London.
- Buys gently used furniture and baby gear.
- Items must meet current safety standards and include all parts.
- Cash on the spot.
- Call ahead to find out what most wanted items are.
- For more information: <https://onceuponachildlondon.com/how-it-works>

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- Located at 2182 Wharncliffe Rd. S. London.
- A consignment shop that sells furniture and housewares in its estate section. They look for vintage to modern items and sell everything from paintings, furniture, home accents and lighting.
- You receive 35% of what an item sells for.
- For more information: <http://kidcents.ca/about-us/kc-estate-sales/>

Talize:

- Located at 1345 Huron St. #1a London.

CATEGORYPLACE

- Canadian owned and operated national for-profit retailer.
- Receive **\$5 off coupon** towards next purchase when you donate.
- For more information: <https://www.talize.com/donate>

That Metal Guy:

- If you have items not suitable for donation or re-sale that contain metal, That Metal Guy will come and **pick up at no charge**.
- For more information and a detailed list of items: <http://www.thatmetalguy.ca/metal-recycling-items.html>

INK & TONER
CARTRIDGES**Staples:**

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts ink and toner cartridges for drop off at store.
- You will also receive a **\$5.00 credit** towards a new ink cartridge and a **\$10.00 credit** towards a new toner cartridge.
- Please check your local store to ensure participation in the program.

BestBuy:

- Various locations, please see website.
- Accepts ink and toner cartridges for drop at their store.
- Please check your local store to ensure participation in the program.

Check with your cartridge supplier:

- <https://everycartridge.com/canada/>

MATTRESSES

Sleep Country

- When you purchase a new mattress from Sleep Country and get it delivered, they take away your old mattress, clean it and then it goes to a family in need.
- **\$15 charge**
- For more information: <https://www.sleepcountry.ca/community>

CATEGORY**PLACE**

MEDICATION

Local Pharmacy:

- Bring unused and expired prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications and natural health products to your local pharmacist for proper disposal.
- **Do not** flush medications down the toilet or sink.
For more information: <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/safe-disposal-prescription-drugs.html> and <http://healthsteward.ca/province/ontario/?value=43.0216%2C-%2081.31797&addr=N6G%200S5>

SCRAP METAL

That Metal Guy:

- **Scrap metal includes:** appliances, BBQs, bikes, lawnmowers and lawn maintenance tools, lawn chairs and benches, trampolines, swing sets, umbrellas, fire pits, tools, vehicles, faucets, sinks, automotive parts, wires, cords, plugs, fencing, racks, pots, pans, utensils, bedframes, fans, sports and workout equipment.
- That Metal Guy will come and **pick up at no charge.**
- For more information and a detailed list of items: <http://www.thatmetalguy.ca/metal-recycling-items.html>

SPORTS &
WORKOUT
EQUIPMENT**Diabetes Canada:**

- Will come an **pick up items at no charge.**
- For more information and to schedule a pickup: <https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

Play It Again Sports:

- Located at 1314 Huron St. London.
- Buys quality used sports and workout equipment.
- Cash on the spot.
- Contact local store to learn what they are currently buying: <https://www.playitagainsports.com/home/what-we-buy>

That Metal Guy:

- If the item contains metal and is not suitable for donation or re-sale, That Metal Guy will come and **pick up at no charge.**

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USED TOYS

- For more information and a detailed list of items, please visit: <http://www.thatmetalguy.ca/metal-recycling-items.html>

ChildReach:

- Located at 265 Maitland St. London.
- This organization offers drop-in playgroups, educational activities, parenting workshops and support for parents.
- Their needs fluctuate, so contact them in advance.
- They **do not accept used stuffed toys**.
- For more information: <https://www.childreach.on.ca/what-we-do>

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- Will come an **pick up items at no charge**.
- For more information and to schedule a pickup: <https://declutter.diabetes.ca/what-we-ll-come-pick-up>

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP):

- Located at 1005 Elias St. London.
- Accepts donations of gently used toys.
- For more information: <https://ssvplondon.com/donations/items-needed/>

Once Upon a Child:

- Located at 1070 Wellington Rd #8 London.
- Buys gently used toys, books and games.
- All toys must meet current safety standards and include all parts.
- Cash on the spot.
- Call ahead to find out what the most wanted items are.
- For more information: <https://onceuponachildlondon.com/how-it-works>

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