

DO YOU KNOW HOW YOU CAN RECYCLE THESE 10 THINGS?

- 1. Appliances:** Many stores will recycle your old appliance when you purchase a new one. Goodwill accepts working appliances. Go to www.goodwill.org, or you can contact Steel Recycling Institute to recycle them at www.recycle-steel.org.
 - 2. Athletic shoes:** One World Running will send still-wearable shoes to athletes in need in Africa, Latin America, and Haiti: www.oneworldrunning.com. Nike's Reuse-a-shoe program turns old shoes into playground and athletic flooring: www.nikereuseashoe.com.
 - 3. Batteries:** Rechargeable batteries can be taken to Strosniders Hardware in Bethesda for recycling or contact www.batteryrecycling.com. Regular dry cell batteries can be safely disposed of in your household trash.
 - 4. Clothes:** Wearable clothes can go to our local Goodwill outlet or shelter. Donate wearable women's business clothing to the nonprofit organization Dress for Success, which gives them to low-income women as they search for jobs: www.dressforsuccess.org. Offer unwearable (but clean) clothes to local animal boarding shelter facilities, which often use them as pet bedding.
 - 5. Compact fluorescent bulbs (CFL):** Take them to an IKEA store for recycling. You can also order bring them to The Home Depot stores. Check this website for other disposal sites: <http://www.recycleabulb.com>
 - 6. Computers and electronics:** Staples and Best Buy takes these items.
 - 7. Foam packing peanuts:** Local pack-and-ship store will likely accept these for reuse. Or call the Plastic Loose Fill Producers Council to find a drop-off site: 1-800-828-2214.
 - 8. Used oil and anti-freeze collection:** Go to this website to find a convenient location, <http://www.menv.com/montgomeryoil.html>.
 - 9. Phones:** Collective Good will refurbish your phone and sell it to someone in a developing country: www.collectivegood.com. Staples stores also recycle cell phones.
 - 10. Ink/toner cartridges:** Staples accepts empty cartridges and gives you \$3.00 for each one (provided you have a rewards card)—the check is sent to your home.
-And A Great General Resource:** Check out this website: www.earth911.com, it is a great resource for recycling items like small appliances, TVs, computers, cell phones, etc. By using the search feature you can find out where to take a wide array of recyclables.