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1	<u>Items to be recycled/Mission of Charity</u>	<u>Entity that recycles items</u>	<u>Items accepted for donation/recycle</u>	<u>Notes</u>
2	Recycling Amazon boxes	Amazon	https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/90287/how-use-old-amazon-boxes-make-free-shipments-goodwill	Through Amazon's Give Back Box platform, an old Amazon box can be used to ship donations to charitable organizations for free. To take advantage of the program simply empty a used Amazon box, refill it with clothing, shoes, appliances, or any other items you wish to donate, and slap a customized shipping label on the front. Donors can print out a sticker addressed to one of Amazon's nearby partner organizations by entering their zip code at GiveBackBox.com. From there, UPS or the United States Postal Service will take care of the rest—free of charge. Amazon also gives you the option of receiving a tax deduction via email.
3	Clothing and fabrics for rags	American Textile Recycling Service	http://atrscorp.com/services/faq/	They take both usable clothes and fabrics and only those good for rags, old stuffed animals included. There is a donation box behind the Walgreen's on the corner of Bissonnet and Buffalo Speedway.
4	Eclipse glasses	Astronomers Without Borders	www.astronomerswithoutborders.org	Have a program to redistribute glasses to schools in Asia and South America, where there will be solar eclipses in 2019.
5	Actual compact disks and VHS tapes (not the players for this media)	Best Buy and CompuCycle	-	There are few environmentally friendly options for compact disks and VHS tapes. Best Buy will take compact disks. And if you've recently dug up a time capsule and found a mysterious plastic black rectangle labeled V-H-S, CompuCycle will even take those.
6	Electronics, TVs, printers, TV and Video; Computers & Tablets; Cell Phones & Radios; Appliances; Ink & Toner; Rechargeable Batteries; Audio; Home Monitoring; Music & Movies; Video Games & Gadgets; Cameras & Camcorders; Car Audio, Video & GPS	Best Buy; Westpark Consumer Recycling Center and Houston's Environmental Service Centers and e-cycling provider CompuCycle	www.bestbuy.com ; http://houstontx.gov/solidwaste/westpark-consumer-recycling-center# ; http://houstontx.gov/solidwaste/environmental-service-centers-esc ; http://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/electronics_recycling.html ; https://www.compu-cycle.com/residential-recycling/products-we-accept/	Best Buy recycles all of the electronics listed. As the nation's largest retail recycler of used electronics and appliances, they will take all kinds of used tech, regardless of where you bought it, how old it is or who made it. Check the website as Best Buy also offers specials if you bring in a recycled item to buy a new one. Also listed are the City of Houston Recycling Centers' websites to determine which facilities will recycle electronics. Also included is a link to CompuCycle's page listing what residential electronics recycling they do.

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7	Provides professional attire and support to low-income men to help them enter the workforce.	Career Gear of Houston	http://careergearhouston.org/uploads/3/4/7/4/34746483/careergear-accepteddonationslist.pdf	Donations accepted: Men's suits, shoes, ties, accessories. See link for complete list. Drop-off Tues–Thurs., 10 a.m. -3 p.m. and the second Saturday of the month, 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. 7500 Bellaire Blvd. Ste BB20, Houston 77036 Contact: 713-778-9959. Note that they have specific guidelines for donations, such as types of clothing they accept (suits, business casual, etc) and whether they need to be ironed, dry cleaned, etc. Please check the website before taking items to donate.
8	Recycle Refrigerators	Centerpoint Energy	https://www.recyclemyfridgetx.com/	The following program is in place to recycle refrigerators called the Texas Refrigerator Pick Up Program. It is run by Center Point Energy that comes to your place for free and actually *gives* you \$30 to recycle your appliance. The link: https://www.recyclemyfridgetx.com/
9	Provides treatment and a safe haven for sexually abused children and their families	Children's Assessment Center	https://www.cachouston.org/our-services/childrens-services/	Donations accepted: Medium-sized duffle bags and backpacks, gently-used stuffed animals and more. See link for a list. Drop off 8 a.m-5 p.m. Mon-Fri at main entrance at 2500 Bolsover Street, Houston, 77005, Contact: 713-986-3300
10	Milk and juice cartons, cans, paper and plastics (labeled 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 7) can go in regular recycle. "Junk Waste" such as furniture, appliances and bulky material and tree waste (limbs, branches and stumps)	City of Houston (and other cities within Houston)	See the city trash collection information for your area.	Tree waste in Houston is collected on odd number months and junk waste on even months. If we're in an off month and you absolutely, positively need to get rid of that couch but no one even at Goodwill or Free Cycle wants it, you can take it to one of the city's neighborhood depository facilities, though you will need proof of Houston residency.

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11	Color Markers	Crayola	http://www.crayola.com/colorcycle.aspx . This program is currently in the US & parts of Canada, check website & www.crayola.com/colorcycle/frequently-asked-questions.aspx - FAQ's.	Crayola has a program called ColorCycle that will accept all brands of plastic markers, not just Crayola markers. That includes dry erase markers & highlighters. If you collect the dead markers, they'll send you a free shipping label & you can ship them back to Crayola to be recycled! Link to get started with this program: http://www.crayola.com/colorcycle.aspx . This program is currently in the US & parts of Canada, check website & www.crayola.com/colorcycle/frequently-asked-questions.aspx - FAQ's. Imagine what we could divert from landfills during the whole school year at every school!
12	Provides professional attire and support network to help women achieve economic independence	Dress for Success Houston	http://dfshouston.org/donate/clothing-donations/	Donations accepted: Interview-appropriate suits, blouses, dresses, shoes, scarves, purses etc. See the link for list. Donations are accepted Mon- Fri, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. and
13	Styrofoam packaging peanuts and other packaging materials	Earth 911; most mail centers or pack and ship stores.	http://earth911.com/recycling-guide/how-to-recycle-packing-peanuts/	Check the website for specifics on where and when they take items. Also, some mailing stores will take them and recycle them. They appreciate them clean and dry!!
14	Supports families in need by helping transform the interiors of their homes.	Finishing Touch Houston	https://www.finishingtouchhouston.org/	Donations accepted: Furniture in good condition, rugs, queen/full/twin headboards, lamps, kitchen items, home décor accessories. See the full list on link. Contact to submit an application describing the items you would like to donate.
15	Bicycles	Free Wheels Houston	www.freewheelshouston.org	Volunteers will pick up bikes in any condition and refurbish them, then distribute to refugees in Houston.
16	Give away anything!!	Freecycle	Give away on www.freecycle.com . Have items picked up and taken away by http://charitydispatcher.com/	Create an account, post things you want to give away, and people will email to let you know they want to pick it up. People have given everything away from furniture to ceiling fan parts on this site. If you have stuff you want hauled off, charitydispatcher.com will pick up everything.
17	Residential services for single mothers and their children	Grace Residential Services	http://www.gracewood.org/	Donations accepted: Small furniture items, gently-used clothing (sizes infant through adult), never-worn undergarments, unopened toiletries, shoes, appliances, gift cards and more. See their list of accepted donations at the link for more details. Located at 1617 Elmview, Houston, TX 77080, 713-988-9757.

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18	Textile recycling	Green City Recycler	Green City Recycling, 2817 Berry Rd Houston, TX 77093, Phone: 713-694-8483, Email: info@greencityrecycler.com, http://greencityrecycler.com/	Green City Recycler is a textile recycling company that diverts used clothing, shoes, and other household items from the landfill. Through our efforts, we hope to reduce the millions of pounds of textile waste currently finding its way to the local landfill.
19	Recycling clothes and empty beauty product containers	H&M Stores	https://hmgroupp.com/sustainability/Planet/recycling.html	H&M Stores has an incentive program for customers that bring in textiles for and beauty product containers for recycling and upcycling to receive 10% off on their next purchase. They work through their charity arm, www.hmcharitystar.com.
20	Household appliances, building materials	Habitat for Humanity	http://houstonshabitat.org/donation-acceptance-guidelines/	Check the website for specifics on where and when they take items.
21	Houses, buildings and related materials	Historic Houston-buildings, houses, structures	http://www.historichouston.org/projects/relocation.html	Check the website for specifics on where and when they take items. Note also that EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2016, THE SALVAGE WAREHOUSE IS OPEN TO HISTORIC HOUSTON MEMBERS ONLY. MEMBERSHIPS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE ON THEIR MEMBERSHIP PAGE.
22	Building materials and fixtures	Historic Houston-salvage items	http://www.historichouston.org/projects/salvage.html	Check the website for specifics on where and when they take items. Note also that EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2016, THE SALVAGE WAREHOUSE IS OPEN TO HISTORIC HOUSTON MEMBERS ONLY. MEMBERSHIPS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE ON THEIR MEMBERSHIP PAGE.

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23	Provides a safe place to stay and counseling for survivors of domestic violence and hosts a 24/7 crisis hotline for domestic violence and a 24/7 hotline for sexual assault	Houston Area Women's Center	https://hawc.org/support-us/urgent-ongoing-needs/	Donations accepted: Currently, their most urgent needs include: new women's yoga pants, new men's athletic pants/shirts, new t-shirts, new sports bras, underwear and socks of all sizes plus art supplies, journals, DVDs and more. See more details here. Donations can be dropped off Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sat., 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at 1010 Waugh, Houston 77019. Contact: Call 713-528-6798
24	Mattresses	Houston Furniture Bank	https://houstonfurniturebank.org/programs-and-services/mattress-recycling/	The HFB Mattress Recycling Center recycles used mattresses at our warehouse located at 8220 Mosley Rd., Houston, TX 77075. Mattresses require a donation that is tax deductible and collected at the time the items are received. \$10 per piece if dropped off; \$25 per piece if picked up. To schedule a pickup or for more information, call 713-842-9771. Unusable mattresses will be recycled.
25	No-kill shelter fostering animals that haven't been adopted from municipal shelters	Houston Pets Alive!!	https://www.houstonpetsalive.org/donate/	Donations accepted: Blankets, sheets, pillowcases, towels, pet food (can be open). See their Amazon Smile wish list for current needs and see more details at the link. Adoption Center: Daily, 12-7 pm, 2800 Antoine Dr., Suite 2854, Houston, TX 77092, Contact: Marketing@houstonpetsalive.org ; 713-492-2541.
26	Scrap metal	Houston Scrap Metal	http://www.rmlmetals.com/material-we-recycle/	Check the website for specifics on where and when they take items.

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27	Plastic bags	Kroger, HEB and Randall's Grocery stores, and most all supermarkets	https://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/	Most recycling flyers will tell you to take the plastic wrap/film off of newspapers and to not include plastic bags in your curbside recycling. You can put those along with Ziplocs, the overwrap from things like cases of bottled water and many other types of plastic wrap in with your plastic grocery and produce bags in the bin inside most grocery stores. See the website called how2recycle.info that points you to www.plasticfilmrecycling.org that lets you put in your zipcode for drop off locations. Turns out that all of the grocery stores around here will take that kind of thing with your plastic grocery bags. Just make sure you take off paper stickers and clean the plastic first if it had food in it.
28	Eye glasses	Lions Club/your local optometrist/some Costcos and Sam's Clubs	http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/how-we-serve/health/sight/eyeglass-recycling.php	If there is not a Lions Club in your area, most optometrists will take used glasses and recycle for you. Additionally, some Costco and Sam's Club stores with optometry departments will also take them.
29	Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs/plastic containers used for plants	Lowe's and Home Depot	www.lowes.com ; www.homedepot.com	Besides Westpark and the Environmental Service Centers, many of the big box home improvement stores like Lowe's and Home Depot will recycle everybody's favorite new light bulb, the compact fluorescent. Lowe's will also take those plastic planters off your hands.
30	Provides medical equipment and supplies to underserved communities worldwide	Medical Bridges Houston	http://www.medicalbridges.org/donate/medical-supplies-and-equipment	Donations accepted: Everything from band-aids to x-rays; for example, syringes, gauze, crutches, wheelchairs and more. Check the website for specifics on what they will take. NOTE: They do NOT take ANY kinds of meds, neither Over the Counter nor Prescription. Donations can be dropped off at 2706 Magnet St., Houston, 77054, Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Contact: 713-766-6554
31	Helping neighborhoods find alternative recycling for glass, batteries, etc. that local recycling no longer takes.	Mission Recycle	www.mission-recycle.com	City recycling programs across the United States are rapidly cutting glass collection services, and they do not typically take items like batteries, electronics, plastic bags and cardboard. Throwing these items away adds to a mounting problem of space shortages in landfills across the country. Instead, by recycling, these items can be processed and turned into new products. It's our mission to help resolve landfill space issues by offering a simple and reliable collection service for you and your neighbors.

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32	Wire clothes hangers	Most dry cleaners		Most dry cleaners will take used metal hangers.
33	Packaging peanuts and materials	Most pack and ship stores		Most pack and ship stores will take packaging peanuts for sure and some may take boxes. They appreciate them clean and dry.
34	Provides education for inner-city students and helps their families gain resources to create a stable home.	Nehemiah Center Houston	https://www.nehemiahcenterhouston.org/donate/	Donations accepted: Preschool educational supplies, backpacks, toys and gently-loved stuffed animals, books, art supplies, gently-used clothing (sizes infant through adult), never-worn undergarments, unopened toiletries, shoes and more. Drop off items Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-6 p.m. 5015 Fannin, Houston, TX 77004 Contact: 713-526-5015
35	Running shoes	Old running shoes	http://www.popsugar.com/fitness/How-Recycle-Old-Running-Shoes-2989309	Webpage offers several options on where to recycle old running shoes.
36	Plastics	Plastic recycling	http://apps.npr.org/plastics-recycling/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook.com&utm_term=nprnews&utm_campaign=npr	Article in the link explains the many aspects of plastics recycling and why it is what it is.
37	Collect and refurbish sports equipment of all kinds to give to Houston-area kids in need	Recycled Sport Items (RSI) Recycles Baseball Items (RBI)	http://www.rbi-houston.org/mission.html	Donations accepted: Sporting equipment such as cleats, balls, nets, bats, clubs, trophies and more. Contact: Call Bill at 713-552-1144 to coordinate pick-up or drop-off. See more information on website.
38	Refugee Services of Texas welcomes refugees, asylees, survivors of trafficking and other displaced peoples, and supports them in integrating and thriving in their new communities.	Refugee Services of Texas	https://www.rstx.org/make-an-impact/	Can take items such as Household items, school supplies, backpacks, clothes, coats, toys, etc. Contact them at 6065 Hillcroft St., Suite 513, Houston, TX 77081, T: (713) 644-6224, houston@rstx.org to confirm current in kind donation needs.
39	Helps sex trafficking survivors transition to independent living by decorating and furnishing apartments	Re-New Houston	https://www.renewhtown.com/	Donations accepted: Gently-used furniture, decorative items, art, bath and kitchen items, toys, books, DVD players and movies. Contact: 713-553-1049 to coordinate donations.

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40	Construction and demolition materials	ReUse Warehouse	https://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/reuse.html	More than one-third of the waste stream in the Houston area is made up of construction and demolition material, much of which could be diverted and re-used. By storing the materials until they can be used by community groups, the Warehouse will keep these valuable resources out of our local landfills. The City of Houston Building Materials Reuse Warehouse is just one of the local organizations working to keep reusable building materials out of the landfills and to put them into the hands of those that can use them. While at this time the Reuse Warehouse is only able to pass on building materials to non-profit organizations, many of these local organizations make materials available to individuals. The Reuse Warehouse is free for making donations and for non-profits taking material. They won't take things like used carpet and paint. The address is 9003 N. Main / Houston, TX 77022.
41	Old trophies and medals	Revived Glory Awards/Friends of Down Syndrome Houston	www.friendsofdownsyndrome.org/collecting-unwanted-trophies/	Check the website for specifics on where and when they take items.
42	Stabilizes, employs and houses homeless individuals and families	SEARCH Homeless Services	https://www.searchhomeless.org/ways-to-give/	Donations accepted: New or gently-used clothing (the current priority is winter clothing/accessories), sleeping bags, blankets, reusable shopping totes, never-worn undergarments, unopened toiletries, shoes and more.
43	Delivers new and gently-used tennis shoes to local children in need	Sole Loved	https://soleloved.org/	Donations accepted: New or looks-like-new athletic shoes and cleats of all sizes. Mailto:info@soleloved.org

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44	Soma promotes self-esteem to women facing homelessness or domestic violence by providing them with new undergarments	Soma women's stores	https://www.soma.com/store/page/soma+bra+donation/56709275/	Once a year, Soma accepts used bras to donate to women in need. In exchange for a donation, the donor gets a savings on a new bra purchase. In 2019, the donation period was from July 9 to August 6.
45	Expired prescription drugs and over the counter drugs	Some Walgreen's Pharmacies	www.walgreens.com	Several Walgreen's pharmacies have bins for disposal of expired prescription or over the counter drugs. Check with the pharmacy in a Walgreen's near you for recycle locations. If you don't have a Walgreen's with a recycle bin and have unused pharmaceuticals, mix them in kitty litter or coffee grounds, to keep away nosey animals or people, and place in a sealed bag. Or take advantage of
46	Group of churches and synagogues formed in April 2018 providing support and repairs to owner-occupied homes still recovering from Hurricane Harvey	Southwest Houston United Responds	http://www.shurhouston.org/donate/	Donations accepted: Power tools and hand tools in good working condition. See an Amazon wish-list on website. Contact: Email info@SHURHouston.org to schedule a pickup.
47	Wine corks	Spec's Liquor Stores	Email: info@greencityrecycler.com	Not only will Spec's recycle all those corks from your wine bottles, but they'll also make a donation to The Ready or Not Ready Foundation, which raises awareness and dollars for pediatric brain cancer. Texas Art Asylum accepts corks, too.
48	Softball and baseball equipment	Spring Spirit Baseball and Softball	Web: greencityrecycler.com	
49	Supports Houston's homeless men, women and children	Star of Hope Mission	https://www.sohmission.org/ways-to-give/	Donations accepted: Gently-used or new clothing, shoes, hygiene products, luggage and more. In winter, the priority is jackets and coats, especially larger sizes plus new socks and underwear. See their donations list on the website. 2320 Lamar, Houston, TX 77003 (Donation & Distribution Center) Contact: 713-748-0700

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50	Printer cartridges and batteries	Target and Best Buy stores		Most Target and Best Buy stores, as well as Office Depot and Office Max, have bins at the store entrances (Office Depot and Office Max you have to take them to the cashier) for recycling printer ink cartridges. Target also recycles batteries in the bins at the front of the store. Best Buy also takes rechargeable batteries.
51	Connect people with extra with people in need	The Get Together	https://www.thegettogether.org/	They do just this...connect people with extra, to people in need. You can email ginger@thegettogether.org or call 713.501.5802.
52	Gifting a prom boutique experience to limited resourced teen girls	The Giving Gown	https://www.givinggown.org/donate	Donations accepted: New and gently-used formal gowns (sizes 18-36 especially needed), dress shoes, jewelry, evening bags. Note: Registration open to girls and helpers for March 25-28, 2020 Boutique Week. Drop donations at any Tide Dry Cleaners in the Houston Area.
53	Donated materials are received by the Texas Art Asylum, located at 1719 Live Oak, Houston, TX 77003. See the website (listed herein) for the mega-list of what is currently needed, when donations are accepted and how to get there.	The Texas Art Asylum	http://texasartasylum.com/donations.html	When in doubt on whether they will take something, just ask them!! Also, Texas Art Asylum runs a monthly Teacher Store which provides all types of school supplies and materials, creative recyclables for art projects, National Geographic magazines, used greeting card fronts, bottle caps and lids, baby jars (very desirable), film, CDs, material scraps, etc.
54	Free paper shredding	Vanish Document Shredding	Vanish Document Shredding, 4846 Cranswick Rd.	They offer free shredding on the following days and times: Tues 11-2; Wed 11-2, Fri 2-6, Sat 8-12.
55	Styrofoam--chunky pieces; batteries; additionally, Westpark is the city's magical recycling fairy who will take almost anything, including clothing and shoes. They won't take household hazardous waste, oil based paint, videotapes and, strangely enough, pizza boxes, so check the list before heading on over.	Westpark Recycling Center	http://houstontx.gov/solidwaste/westpark.html	Westpark Recycling takes chunks of styrofoam. Those pesky packing blocks are actually plastic #6 and curbside recycling only allows for plastics #1-#5 and #7. To the rescue comes our best recycling friend Westpark Consumer Recycling Center and the South Environmental Service Center at 11500 South Post Oak. Both sites will now take those blocks, but unfortunately not those styrofoam peanuts. There are a few items you should throw in the garbage but with care. While rechargeable batteries can go to Westpark Recycling or Best Buy, you can drop alkaline batteries in your trash, just be sure to tape the the terminals for 9V and 6V batteries and seal in a plastic bag.

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56	Various items such as batteries, #5 recycle items such as Brina water filters and Keurig cups, as well as wine corks and plastic bags	Whole Foods Market and Whole Foods Market Website	https://www.preserveproducts.com/recycle/programs/171/gimme-5-program	Recycling varies from store to store, but you can check the website or ask at your local store to be sure what they will take.
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