

Why

- ◆ All households generate unwanted textiles.
- ◆ Textiles account for about 10% of the waste stream.
- ◆ 85% of used textiles are thrown away each year in Massachusetts. That's about 230,000 tons.
- ◆ Textiles are easily recycled. Donating them supports jobs in more than 25 Massachusetts businesses and reduces Amesbury's disposal costs.
- ◆ 95% of consumer textiles can be re-used and repurposed.
- ◆ Textiles in the recycling cart contaminate other materials (cans, bottles and paper) and result in costly down-time and extra sorting at the recycling processing facility.

Amesbury Recycles!

**Don't Trash
Your Textiles**

**Wear.
Donate.
Recycle.**



How

Put your textiles in a plastic bag to keep your donation dry and put it in the bin.
Don't leave anything outside the bin.

What

Clothing: Shirts, Pants, Jackets, Suits, Hats, Belts, Ties, Gloves, Scarves, Socks (event single ones), Undergarments, Handbags, Backpacks.

Footwear: Shoes, Sandals, Sneakers, Cleats, Boots, Flip-Flops, Slippers

Household items: Curtains, Drapes, Sheets, Blankets, Comforters, Towels, Table Linens, Throw Rugs, Pillows, Stuffed Dolls and Animals.

Age, Style, Condition doesn't matter as long as they are CLEAN and DRY. They can be stained or torn, missing a button or have a broken zipper, worn. Single shoes are accepted.

Unacceptable

Wet/Moldy Items

Items contaminated with oil or hazardous substances.

Where

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| Planet Aid: | Merrow's, 100 Haverhill St.; Redemption Center, 47 Haverhill St.; Mill 77, 49 Macy St.; Cutter's, 43 Friend St. |
| St. Vincent de Paul: | Holy Family Church, 9 Sparhawk St.; Mandarin Restaurant, 88 Haverhill St. |
| Big Hearted Books: | Mill 77, 49 Macy St.; Amesbury Plaza, 58 Macy St.; Andyman's, 40 Hillside Ave. (Also accepts Books, CDs, DVDs) |
| AFAB Recycles: | Sunoco, 108 Macy St.; Mobil, 23 Rocky Hill Rd. |