

April 30, 2019

Got Stuff? Need Stuff?

FREE Swap 'N Drop! This Saturday, May 4 Salem Common,* 10 am - 1 pm

You don't have to bring something to take something.

Bring: Women's, men's, children's clothing & accessories; small household items in working condition (no TVs or computers) & clean, dry textiles for recycling. Swap, Shop or Simply Drop Off Clothing & Small Household Items



Swap until Noon; DROP OFF until 1 PM

Leftovers will be recycled, reused or repurposed.

*IN CASE OF RAIN: the event will be moved to the Community Life Center <u>(401 Bridge St.</u>) Call 978-619-5679 after noon on Friday May 3 for recorded message with up-to-date location information.

Moving Anytime Soon? Reduce Your Load the Green Way



You never know how much stuff you have until it's time to move!

Here's a primer on how to move things on before you have to move them out. And you'll be **keeping** them out of the waste stream.

1. Don't Ditch It--Donate!

Give items in good condition—clothing, household goods, furniture, and books—to a local charity or thrift shop.

GreenSalem.com has information on local places that accept

household items. Some organizations will even pick up your furniture.

<u>Click here</u> for information on where to take textiles--even if they have stains or holes. There are several drop-off bins in Salem, and Goodwill has a staffed truck at the Stop & Shop in Peabody at 19 Howley Street.

For more information on the many items Goodwill accepts visit https://www.goodwillmass.org/mobile/donate.html.

2. Share With Others

Here's a facebook group dedicated to keeping items out of the waste stream by offering them to others. Anything goes on this site! You must join the group to participate.

• Buy Nothing Salem: https://www.facebook.com/groups/327300854141647/about/

3. Recycle Everything You Can!

Click here for a comprehensive list of what you can put in your curbside pickup.

NO "Wish-cycling." If it's not listed as okay, It's NOT OKAY. No "tanglers"—items that clog up the machinery at the sorting facility, The 6 R's of Green Living Refuse Reduce Reuse Repair Recycle **Re-Think** GreenSalem co

such as textiles, plastic bags, hoses, wires, chains, etc.

Here are two great resources to answer all of your recycling questions:

- "Recyclopedia," which is part of MA's Recycle Smart campaign: <u>https://recyclesmartma.org/</u>
- Recycling A-Z on greensalem.com (https://www.greensalem.com/city-of-salem-recycling-info/az-guide/)

4. Other Things You May Want To Unload:

Paper Documents – Free shredding is available in Salem at Greif Co. (formerly known as North Shore Recycled Fibers), 53 Jefferson <u>Ave. Salem</u>, M-F, 7:15 am – 3 pm. (Note, they are closed daily from 9:30-10 am.)



Do your own shredding? Compost it, trash it, or they will accept it at Greif Co. (see above). Never, ever put shredded materials in your curbside recycling toter.

Medicine – There is a collection bin at the Police Department (95 Margin Street). Put the items in a sealed plastic bag. No pill bottles, please! And Never, ever flush medicines down the toilet. They pollute the water.

Bubble Wrap, including mailing bags (thank you Amazon) – Best to throw these in the trash. Better yet, use them to wrap dishware for moving!

5. Trash

If it belongs in the trash (we hate saying that)—furniture and many other large items can be collected as bulk pick ups. You must call first to make an appointment for a bulk pickup. Visit <u>salem.com</u> for more information, including items that will be accepted.

Remember, overflowing trash bins will not be picked up. However, orange overflow bags that you place alongside your trash can can be purchased at <u>several locations in the City</u>.



Good luck! Contact Julie Rose for more information or questions. 978-619-5679 or jrose@salem.com

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