

Toys, Bikes, Dishes,
Pans, Records
& more!!

Madison County Dept. of Solid Waste & the Rescue Mission form a Partnership

Reuse Store Location

next to the Buyea Rd. Landfill Transfer
Station in the Town of Lincoln

Store Hours

Thursday - Saturday
7:10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Store Tel. 315-280-0457



Stop by and meet
the Reuse Store
manager, Robin
Miner, and shop till
you drop!



Madison County Recycling
Questions? Call the Recycling Hotline at :
1-800-721-2208 or visit us on line at:
www.madisoncounty.ny.gov

Product reuse is one of the most efficient forms of recycling. Madison County has devised a system by which their residents can drop off used, but still usable items free of charge.

To this end the County has partnered with Rescue Mission of Syracuse. The Rescue Mission has placed an Attended Donation Center at the Buyea Rd. Transfer Station next door to the Reuse Store. Donations will be accepted Thursday through Saturday from 7:10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Items that still have a useful life will be cleaned and placed in the store for sale at reasonable prices.

There will be no clothing sold at the Reuse Store.

However, there are pots and pans, dishes, sports items, toys, tools, lawn furniture, baskets, lamps and other houseware items.



Advantages of Reuse

Reuse has certain potential advantages:

- Energy and raw materials savings as replacing many single use products with one reusable one reduces the number that need to be manufactured.
- Reduced disposal needs and costs.
- Refurbishment can bring sophisticated, sustainable, well paid jobs to underdeveloped economies.
- Cost savings for business and consumers as a reusable product is often cheaper than the many single use products it replaces.
- Some older items were better handcrafted and appreciate in value.

Scientific proof environmental advantage

Scientific research has shown that re-using a product can reduce CO2 emissions and carbon footprint by more than 50% relative to the complete product life cycle. A relatively unknown effective way to reduce CO2 emissions and carbon footprint is reusing products. Often the relative carbon footprint of manufacturing and the supply chain is unknown.

Measuring the impact of reuse

There are many ways of measuring the positive environmental, economic and social impact data reuse has on our communities.

These include, but are not limited to:

- # of tons diverted from the landfill
- \$ avoided disposal costs (donor/seller)
- \$ avoided purchase costs (recipient/buyer)
- \$ value of materials donated (donor)
- \$ revenues earned (donor/seller)
- # of jobs created or retained
- # of families/individuals/organizations assisted

The Rescue Mission



The Rescue Mission has partnered with Madison County to provide residents with an opportunity to both recycle and help individuals in need. An attended donation center is now open at the Madison County Transfer Station in the Town of Lincoln, where donations of clothing, shoes, accessories, furniture and household items are accepted. These items are sorted on site and some are sold at the Reuse store adjacent to the donation center. The remainder of the items are picked up by the Rescue Mission and taken to its Liverpool, New York warehouse where they are further sorted and sent to either 1) one of the Rescue Mission's 12 Thrifty Shopper stores 2) delivered to the Rescue Mission's Clothing Outreach store or 3) recycled.

The Rescue Mission's Thrifty Shopper stores offer gently used clothing, household items, furniture, shoes and accessories at affordable prices. Proceeds from store sales support the efforts of the Rescue Mission to help alleviate poverty and assist those in need who are suffering. The Rescue Mission's Clothing Outreach store is located on the organization's Syracuse Campus on Gifford Street. This store offers clothing and some household items to people in need at no charge. People who present a need are able to obtain clothing for themselves and their family each month.

Items donated to a Rescue Mission donation center are sent to its warehouse and sorted by category. Items that are broken, not useable or clothing that is in poor condition are recycled. In fact, the Rescue Mission is one of Onondaga County's top three largest recyclers. The Rescue Mission is even able to bundle and sell non-useable clothing as rags, which dramatically decreases its amount of landfill refuse.