

# Where can I donate my items? Local Organization Guide

## Town of Sharon Health Department

Visit website or contact organization for more details about acceptable items. Join Share Sharon on Facebook to offer free items to Sharon residents. Descriptions of each organization can be found starting on page 3.

Key:  Pick-up only     Pick-up option available    → Drop-off location(s)

Item Category	Donation Organization and Local Drop-Off Location(s)
<b>Furniture</b>	<p><a href="#">EastonLions Thrift Store</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">New Life Furniture Bank of America</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">ReStore (Habitat for Humanity)</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Savers</a> (Small furniture) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                      →North Easton                      →Walpole                                      → West Roxbury, MA                      →Norwood</p> <p><a href="#">Salvation Army</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">My Brother's Keeper</a> <input type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Society of St. Vincent de Paul</a> <input type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Vietnam Veterans of America</a> (Small furniture) <input type="checkbox"/>                      →Walpole, Stoughton</p>
<b>Clothing</b>	<p><a href="#">Bay State Textiles</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Dignity Matters</a> (Undergarments only)    <a href="#">EastonLions Thrift Store</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">More than Words</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                      →Sharon Public Schools → Sharon                                      → North Easton                                      →Action, Braintree</p> <p><a href="#">Savers</a>    <a href="#">Society of St. Vincent de Paul</a>    <a href="#">Salvation Army</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Big Brother Big Sister</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Vietnam Veterans of America</a> <input type="checkbox"/>                      →Norwood    →Stoughton, Plainville                      →Walpole, Stoughton                      →Easton</p>
<b>Jewelry/Accessories</b>	<p><a href="#">Bay State Textiles</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (only accessories)    <a href="#">EastonLions Thrift Store</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Big Brother Big Sister</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Vietnam Veterans of America</a> <input type="checkbox"/>                      →Sharon Public Schools                      →North Easton                                      →Easton</p>
<b>Games/Toys</b>	<p><a href="#">EastonLions Thrift Store</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Savers</a>                                      <a href="#">Big Brother Big Sister</a> (Small toys only) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Vietnam Veterans of America</a> <input type="checkbox"/>                      →North Easton                                      →Norwood                                      →Easton</p>
<b>Shoes</b>	<p><a href="#">Bay State Textiles</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">EastonLions Thrift Store</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Savers</a>                                      <a href="#">Vietnam Veterans of America</a> <input type="checkbox"/>                      →Sharon Public Schools    →North Easton                                      →Norwood</p>
<b>Books</b>	<p><a href="#">Friends of the Sharon Public Library</a>    <a href="#">More than Words</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Savers</a>                                      <a href="#">Big Brother Big Sister</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                      →Sharon (Shaws Plaza)                      → Acton, Braintree                      → Norwood                                      →Easton</p>
<b>Bedding/Bath</b>	<p><a href="#">Bay State Textiles</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">New Life Furniture Bank of America</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    <a href="#">Savers</a>                                      <a href="#">Tufts Vet Clinic</a>                      →Sharon Public Schools    →Walpole                                      →Norwood                                      →Walpole</p>

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<b>Media</b>	<a href="#">More than Words</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →Acton, Braintree	<a href="#">Friends of the Sharon Public Library</a> →Sharon (Shaws Plaza)
<b>Exercise/sporting goods</b>	<a href="#">Savers</a> →Norwood	
<b>Backpacks and purses</b>	<a href="#">Savers</a> →Norwood	
<b>Record albums and musical instruments</b>	<a href="#">Big Brother Big Sister</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →Easton	
<b>Old eyeglasses</b>	<a href="#">Sharon Public Library</a> →North Main St., Sharon	
<b>Building materials- see websites for details</b>	<a href="#">Boston Rebuilding Resource</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →Boston	<a href="#">ReStore (Habitat for Humanity)</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →West Roxbury
<b>Automobiles</b>	<a href="#">ReStore (Habitat for Humanity)</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →West Roxbury	<a href="#">Salvation Army</a> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Society of St. Vincent de Paul</a> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Miscellaneous Items- See websites for details.</b>	<a href="#">New Life Furniture Bank of America</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →Walpole	<a href="#">Salvation Army</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Vietnam Veterans of America</a> <input type="checkbox"/> →Walpole, Stoughton
<b>Organization Information and Contact Info</b>	<p><b>Bay State Textiles</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="https://www.baystatetextiles.com/what-we-do-dont-accept/">https://www.baystatetextiles.com/what-we-do-dont-accept/</a> 617-877-2432</li> </ul> <p><i>“Bay State Textiles offers a solution to deal with the problem of unwanted textiles. We partner with schools and communities to create a process for diverting clothing donations along with shoes, and fabrics away from the solid waste stream. Instead of being thrown away, textiles create a new source of revenue for your community. Bay State Textile exports half of its clothing donations and collections to developing countries. There is a healthy demand for used clothing and shoes from the United States all over the world. These textiles are primarily reused as clothing and shoes, providing thousands of jobs for small entrepreneurs, their families, and employees.”</i></p> <p><b>Best Buy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="https://www.bestbuy.com/site/services/recycling/pcmcat149900050025.c?id=pcmcat149900050025">https://www.bestbuy.com/site/services/recycling/pcmcat149900050025.c?id=pcmcat149900050025</a> 508-261-2340</li> </ul> <p><i>“Let’s lighten the landfills. We recycle all kinds of tech, no matter how old, how big or where you bought it.”</i></p>	

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### **Big Brother Big Sister Foundation**

- <https://www.bbbsfoundation.org/> [bbbsinfo@cmrkofboston.com](mailto:bbbsinfo@cmrkofboston.com)

*“Big Brother Big Sister Foundation turns gently used clothing into treasure. And what greater treasure exists than the future of a child? BBBSF collects used clothing items, converts them into cash and gives 100% of the profits to mentoring programs supporting more than 30,000 “Littles” & “Bigs” across Massachusetts. (Check with your tax adviser and IRS publication 746 for more information on the value of your donation for tax purposes).”*

### **Boston Rebuilding Resources**

- <https://www.bostonbuildingresources.com/donate-building-materials> 617-442-2262

*“Donating high-quality building materials, new or used, helps people repair and improve their homes while also sparing the environment from needless waste. Because the Reuse Center at Boston Building Resources is a 501(c)(3) charity, both material and financial gifts are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.”*

### **Dignity Matters**

- <https://www.dignity-matters.org/> [info@dignity-matters.org](mailto:info@dignity-matters.org)

*“Dignity Matters is a non-profit organization that collects, purchases and supplies feminine hygiene products, bras and underwear to women and girls who are homeless or disadvantaged, in order to help them stay healthy, regain self-confidence, and live with basic dignity. People commonly associate period poverty with developing countries, but it is a significant, hidden and local issue here in America, and, in Massachusetts. (Dignity Matters is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Your donation is tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.)”*

### **EastonLions Thrift Store**

- <https://eastonlions.org/thriftstore/> 508-230-5466

*“We are dedicated to serving the Easton community, to stimulate community spirit, encourage personal development, to provide financial and material resources to benefit our community in the Lions Club International’s global service areas of hunger relief, pediatric cancer, the environment, diabetes and vision, and to support the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund’s goals. We are a 501(c)(3) charity and donations may be tax deductible. Money raised supports many local Easton charities, high school scholarships, diabetes research, Mass. Eye Research Fund, and the Easton Grange #196.”*

### **More than Words**

- <https://mtwyouth.org/donate-books/> 781-788-0035

*“More Than Words is a nonprofit social enterprise that empowers young adults who are in the foster care system, court-involved, homeless, or out of school to take charge of their lives by taking charge of a business. Donations of books and clothing are the fuel for our youth-run business and the vehicle for our young people to take charge of their lives. All of our books are donated, and all donations are fully tax deductible.”*

### **My Brother’s Keeper**

- <https://mybrotherskeeper.org/donate-furniture/> 508-238-7512

*“My Brother’s Keeper is a vibrant, welcoming Christian ministry with locations in Easton and Dartmouth, MA which delivers furniture and food to families in need. Our mission is “To bring the Love and Hope of Jesus Christ to those we serve.” Anyone*

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living in our service area in Southeastern Massachusetts is eligible to receive our help, regardless of religion. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit and all services are provided free of charge.”

**New Life Furniture Bank of America**

- <https://newlifefb.org/> <https://newlifefb.org/contact-us/>

“New Life Furniture Bank of MA is a volunteer-led nonprofit 501(c)3 organization that accepts furniture and household items and makes them available at no charge to those in need through referring agencies. We assist individuals and families who are transitioning out of homelessness, victims of fire, those escaping domestic violence, military veterans and refugees. Regardless of the situation they are striving to overcome, they share a common theme; the need for a new beginning.”

**ReStore (Habitat for Humanity Greater Boston)**

- <https://habitatbostonrestore.org/donate.html> 617-327-1170

“This Habitat for Humanity ReStore has been proudly owned and operated since 2011 by Habitat for Humanity of Greater Boston, Inc. At the ReStore, our staff and volunteers happily accept donations of new and gently used items. We sell those items to treasure hunters and bargain shoppers alike to raise money for our mission of eliminating substandard housing. The ReStore provides a more affordable avenue for home improvement projects, all while keeping tons of perfectly good items from ending up in the landfill.”

**Salvation Army**

- <https://satruck.org/> 1-800-728-7825

“The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. When you donate goods to The Salvation Army, those items are then sold at our Thrift Stores. And the proceeds are used to fund our Adult Rehabilitation Centers, where those struggling with drugs and alcohol find help, hope, and a second chance at life.”

**Savers**

- <https://www.savers.com/> (781) 255-0740

“We are a for-profit company that champions reuse. Shopping in our stores doesn’t support any nonprofit, but donating your reusable goods does. We pay nonprofits for your stuff, helping them fund programs in our communities. TVI, Inc. is a registered professional fundraiser where required. That’s why we run one of the most robust recycling and upcycling programs in the world and stand firmly in support of the circular economy. “

**Sharon Public Library/ Friends of the Sharon Public Library**

- <https://www.sharonpubliclibrary.org/index.asp> <https://www.friendsofsharonpubliclibrary.org/>  
(781) 784-1578

“The Friends of the Sharon Public Library is an IRS 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. Our mission is to partner with the Sharon Public Library in serving the informational, educational, cultural, and recreational needs of the community through fundraising, programming, advocacy, and volunteerism. Until we can safely have our Used Book Sale, we will be collecting and selling books online with the help of The Bay State Book Company of Norwood starting August 26, 2020 and continuing indefinitely. A percentage of the book sales will go to The Friends of Sharon Public Library to support library programming.”

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### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

- <https://www.svdpboston.org/> (314) 576-3993

*“Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Boston is a registered 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization. All donations are fully tax deductible to the extent allowable by law. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul National Vehicle Donation Program best-in-class authorized agent proudly returns an average of near 80% of car proceeds to charity. The lightly used items we provide to the poor at no cost can dramatically improve the quality of their lives. Revenues produced by store operations help subsidize our local outreach efforts.”*

### **Tufts Veterinary Emergency Treatment & Specialties**

- <http://tuftsvets.org/> 508- 668-5454

*“Affiliated with Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University, Tufts VETS (Veterinary Emergency Treatment & Specialties) is a specialty and emergency veterinary hospital located in Walpole, MA. Current disciplines represented at Tufts VETS include emergency & critical care, ophthalmology, internal medicine, surgery, anesthesiology, radiology and ultrasonography.”*

### **Vietnam Veterans of America**

- <https://scheduleapickup.com/acceptable-donations/> 1-800-775-VETS

*“VVA’s goals are to promote and support the full range of issues important to Vietnam veterans, to create a new identity for this generation of veterans, and to change public perception of Vietnam veterans. Our donation of clothing and household items to the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) generates over 50 percent of the funding for programs to help all veterans throughout the country. The VVA supports local, state, and national service programs dedicated to: Improving the general welfare and hospital care of all veterans, especially homeless and disabled veterans, Assisting veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and other disabilities, Working closely with veterans of other conflicts, Taking the lead on women and minority veterans’ issues... and much more.” According to GuideStar, “VVA is organized as a not-for-profit corporation and is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Service Code.”*

### **YMCA**

- <https://www.hockymca.org/> 508.543.2523

*“We strive to bring community together to live healthier lifestyles, to bring community together to nurture the potential of our children, and to bring community together in the name of social responsibility advocating inclusion, diversity and acceptance. Every day in the lives of children and families. The Hockomock Area YMCA is a not-for-profit, charitable community service organization committed to enhancing the quality of life of our members and enriching the communities we serve through partnership and collaboration. Our focus is on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility providing programs and services to all regardless of ability to pay.”*

Note: School supply donations are used to fill backpacks for youth in need. They may also be used in youth programming.

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