



Your trash is someone else's treasure! You've all heard it before, but this time **YOU** can make this a reality. If you bring your used clothing to work that you no longer wear or you just need to clean out your closet to make room for your new wardrobe, we have a convenient way to

ensure that your trash becomes someone else's treasure. **November 15th is America Recycles Day** and the NASA Sustainability Group is hosting a clothes reuse collection event on Thursday, November 13th and Friday, November 14th. All donations received will be given to North Brevard Charities Sharing Center for reuse. Clothing drop boxes will be staged at the old GSA Facility and VAB North Parking lot so that we may recycle all clothing brought in on November 13th and 14th.



How can you help? Please gather all your used clothing including: coats, gloves, hats, scarves, shoes, undergarments, socks, belts, etc. that are in any condition and drop them off at one of our two collection points on center (**Old GSA Facility or VAB North parking lot**) on November 13th and 14th respectively. It's just that easy! Make sure everything is clean and dry; keep socks and shoes in pairs.

Help the Planet one fiber at a time by not throwing your old clothes in the trash. Did you know that clothing and textiles make up 4.6% of the waste stream, and in Florida, as much as 10% is land filled.



Textile Recycling Facts.

*Polyester, the most commonly manufactured fiber, is made from petroleum in an energy-intensive process that emits volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and acid gases into the air. The process also uses large amounts of water for cooling.

*The manufacturing of nylon emits nitrous oxide, a greenhouse gas with a carbon footprint 310 times that of carbon dioxide. "Easy care" and "permanent press" cottons are treated with formaldehyde, a toxic chemical.

*Rayon, derived from wood pulp, often relies on clearing old growth forests to make way for water-hungry eucalyptus trees, from which the fiber is derived.

*Cotton, found in most clothing, is the most pesticide-dependent crop in the world. It takes 1/3 of a pound of pesticides to make 1 t-shirt.

*Dyeing textiles require a huge amount of water, and its fixatives often flow into rivers and sewers. The US dollar is made of 80% recycled cotton. You are spending your old jeans!

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