



# DONATION GUIDELINES



## **RESALE STORE (248) 360-4977**

**MISSION:** Open Door Outreach Center, a 501c-3 tax-exempt nonprofit organization, lives by its mission below:

Recognizing the human dignity of all people, Open Door Outreach Center's primary mission, in the spirit of interfaith charity, is to provide emergency services of food, clothing and referral information to families in need.

PLEASE VISIT THE OUTREACH WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION IN THE ABOUT SECTION

[www.opendooroutreachcenter.com](http://www.opendooroutreachcenter.com)

Open Door Resale Store will gratefully accept your gently used clean donations that can be sold in our store or given to the residents in need in support of our mission. To make the donation process easy and efficient, please bag or box items to be donated. Clothing, linens and other soft goods can be bagged and placed in our clothing bins located at the rear of the store. Hard goods and breakables should be boxed and can only be donated during business hours of the store. Please, due to theft **DO NOT** leave donated items unattended, and donate during business hours only. All donations to the Open Door Outreach are tax deductible. Simply ask for a charitable contribution receipt, give this to your tax preparer, who will determine what kind of deduction you are eligible for. Below is a list of what type of donations we can and cannot accept; please feel free to call our store to ask about items not listed below or for clarification. Thank you for helping.

## **ITEMS WE CAN ACCEPT**

- Clothing of any type and size (*clean gently used, free of stains, rips or tears*)
- Books, Cd's, DVD,s, Blue Ray's, Children's toys (*no encyclopedias, magazines less than 2 years old, toys free of lead paint and recalls*)
- Small Furniture (*coffee and end tables, small desks, ect. must be in good condition, no water damage, severe cosmetic damage, no rips, stains, tears, or structural damage. For larger furniture, please call store directly, before bringing*)
- Shoes and Accessories (*handbags, Jewelry, ties, belts, scarves, etc.*)
- New Unused Socks and Underwear
- Household items (*dishes, glass-ware, pots and pans, coffee pots, toasters, wall art, knick knacks, etc., must be clean, undamaged and in working order*)
- Small Electronics (*TV's less than 5 years old, Radios, Clocks, Lamps, Vacuums, etc. Must be clean and in good working order*)
- Linens (*sheets, towels, blankets, wash clothes, clean gently used, free of stains, rips or tears*)
- Sporting goods and small exercise equipment (*golf clubs, rackets, bicycles, camping supplies, etc. if in good repair. No weight benches, treadmills, or heavy home gym equipment. Please call store for clarification*)
- Holiday and Seasonal items (*small gardening tools, planting pots, holiday decorations, unused greeting cards, outdoor solar lights, in undamaged condition*)



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- Large Appliances (*this includes refrigerators, ranges, stoves, dishwashers, etc.*)
- Building Materials (*this includes house windows, siding, bricks, drywall, etc.*)
- Mattress' and Box Springs (*this includes crib and toddler mattresses*)
- Automotive Parts (*this includes wheels, body parts, tires, batteries, etc.*)
- Paint or Chemicals of any kind (*we are not allowed to sell or dispose of these items*)
- Kerosene or Gas Heaters and Appliances
- Glass Packaged Food Jars (*baby food jars, spaghetti sauce jars, alcohol bottles, please take them to your local recycler*)
- Infant and Children's Car Seats (*by law we are not allowed to resell these items*)
- Frequently recalled items (*strollers, cribs, and some toys are frequently recalled, please check the national recall list before donating [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)*)
- Large Console Televisions and Stereos
- Dirty or Soiled Items of Any Kind

**If you are donating after a Yard, Garage, or Estate Sale and/or have a large quantity of items to donate, please call ahead for guidelines and to insure we can accommodate the quantity in our facility.**