

TOWN OF BEDFORD

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



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Refuse & Recycling

<https://www.bedfordma.gov/recycling>

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Appliances

Household Goods, 530 Main St, Acton, MA - Large Appliances (newer than 10 years old) and Small Household appliances accepted. Visit website for complete list of acceptable donations. <https://householdgoods.org/donate/donate-goods/donation-guidelines>

MassSave, a partnership of Mass Dept of Energy and the local utilities, offers no-cost removal and a \$75 rebate when you recycle an old refrigerator or freezer. Learn more: <https://www.masssave.com/en/shop/recycling/refrigerator-and-freezer-recycling>

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Books

More Than Words, <http://mtwyouth.org/donate-books> Book drop-off location at The District, District Ave Burlington or Lexington DPW, 60 Hartwell Ave, Lexington.

Books can also be donated at St. Vincent DePaul collection bin, Bedford Motel, 30 North Rd.

Building Materials

Habitat Lowell's ReStore, 100 Chelmsford St, Billerica MA (978)215-9975 accepts your gently-used furniture, appliances, cabinets, building materials and other household goods. <https://lowellhabitat.org/restore/donate/>

Boston Building Resources, 88 Terrace St, Boston MA. Accepts new and used high-quality building materials. Donations are tax deductible. See website full list of acceptable materials. Pick-up available for \$25-50 fee. www.bostonbuildingresources.com/donate-building-materials

Bicycles

The Bike Connector, 47 Lee St, Lowell MA. A Lowell-based non-profit accepts bikes, bike parts, hand tools and specialized bicycle tools as well as new helmets. <https://www.bikeconnector.org/donate>

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Car Seats

Target and Wal-Mart typically offer car seat recycling events once per year. CarSeatRecycling.com offers a year round mail-in program. Learn more here: <https://carseatrecycling.com>

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Dishes

Household Goods, Acton, MA (see appliances)
Mission of Deeds, Reading, MA (see furniture)

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Electronics

Staples, 297 Great Rd, Bedford. Many items accepted for FREE recycling. <https://www.staples.com/sbd/cre/marketing/sustainability-center/recycling-services/electronics/>

Best Buy, 84 Middlesex Turnpike, Burlington. Recycle up to 3 FREE items per household per day. <https://www.bestbuy.com/site/services/recycling/pcmcat149900050025.c?id=pcmcat149900050025>

Eye Glasses

Lion's Club of Lexington drop off at Bedford Free Library, 7 Mudge Way.

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Furniture

Mission of Deeds, 6 Chapin Ave, Reading, MA. (781)944-9797 Accepts furniture, kitchen items, children's items and working small appliances. Visit website for complete list of acceptable donations. <https://www.missionofdeeds.org/donate-goods/>

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Glass

Household/Decorative glass (like vases and mirrors) is **not** accepted for curbside recycling. Bring these glass items to the Compost Site, 108 Carlisle Rd during open hours (Bedford residents only.)

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Hearing Aids

Hearing Aid Project, Kansas City, MO <https://hearingaiddonations.org/give-an-aid/donate/>
NOTE: Hearing aid batteries can be dropped off in the lobby of the DPW, 314 Great Rd during business hours for recycling.

Halloween costumes

'Ween Dream, New Orleans, LA <http://www.weendream.org/donation-instructions> or donate seasonally to Savers, 235 Main St, Wilmington, MA. *Also a popular seasonal item on Bedford Buy Nothing facebook group.*

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Mattresses

UTECH, a Lowell-based youth services organization picks up, deconstructs and recycles mattresses from across northern New England. Visit <https://utec-mattress.org/schedule/> or call 978-856-3997.

Medical Assistive Devices

The Council on Aging, 12 Mudge Way, 1st floor, accepts wheelchairs, walkers, rollators and canes. The Board of Health, 12 Mudge Way, 2nd floor, accepts bath seats, commodes, raised toilet seats and transfer benches. *Please call head before dropping off as storage is limited.*

Moving Supplies (boxes, bubble wrap, packing paper)

Boxes are a popular ask on Buy Nothing Bedford (a Facebook group), Freecycle and other similar pages.

The UPS Store, 101 Great Rd, accepts clean bubble wrap for reuse.

Musical Instruments

Instrumental Angels, Sudbury, MA <https://www.instrumentalangels.org/>

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Office Equipment/Supplies

The Great Exchange, Devens Eco-Efficiency Center, Devens MA. Accepts new or like new materials that could be used in a classroom, library, town office, non-profit or business setting. <https://tgedevens.com>

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Paint (Latex)

ReColor Paints, 149B Winter St, Hanover, MA. Unused or leftover paint, stains and glazes (less than 10 years old). Pick up available for quantities of 25+ gallons. <https://recolpaints.com/pages/how-to-recycle> 1-833-RECOLOR (732-6567)

Paint (Oil-based)

Accepted at Household Hazardous Waste events.

Political signs (corrugated plastic)

UNH Institute on Disability 10 West Edge Drive, Suite 101. Durham, NH 03824 (603)862-4320
Signs will be repurposed into adaptive devices.

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Rechargeable batteries

Including Lithium-ion, Ni-Cd, Ni-MH and Sealed Lead Acid batteries can be dropped off at Moison's ACE Hardware or in the Lobby of the DPW during business hours. *NOTE: Regular Alkaline household batteries are non-hazardous and can be disposed of in the trash. Choose reusable/rechargeable instead! Alkaline Batteries are accepted for recycling at Unpacked Living, 156 Cabot St, Beverly MA.*

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Sports Equipment

Play It Again Sports in Stoneham, North Reading or Waltham.
Visit <https://www.playitagainsports.com> for more information.

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Textiles - Worn or Torn, donate it all!

Bay State Textiles (drop-off bin) -- Bedford HS and Middlesex Community College (parking lot A & M)
Planet Aid (drop-off bin) – N.E. Nursery, 216 Concord Rd and Novanta, 125 Middlesex Tnpke
Learn more about textile recycling at www.bedfordma.gov/recycling

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Vases

Local florists often accept vases in good condition to reuse for arrangements.

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Questions? Suggestions? Contact Liz Antanavica, Refuse & Recycling Administrator at (781)275-7605 x4261