

the secret double life of donated textiles

NEARLY **100%** OF DONATED TEXTILES ARE RECYCLED! They are separated into three grades:

45%
USABLE CLOTHING



20%
FIBER CONVERSION GRADE



30%
WIPING CLOTH GRADE



Recycled fiber products **SAVE MONEY and RESOURCES** by using existing materials.



CLOSING THE LOOP

Recycled cloth rags use **LESS WATER, LESS ENERGY** and create a **LOWER CARBON FOOTPRINT** than all other alternatives.



The second hand clothing market provides **AFFORDABLE CLOTHING** to those in need and **ENCOURAGES GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP.**

SECOND LIFE ...



stained t-shirt → wiping cloth



lone sock → pillow stuffing



old denim → household insulation



teddy bear



→ car seat stuffing



torn bath towel →



wiping cloth



SECONDARY MATERIALS[®] AND RECYCLED TEXTILES

The Association of Wiping Materials, Used Clothing and Fiber Industries

donate recycle don't throw away[®]





Acceptable Items for Textile Recycling

All of the following can be donated in any condition as long as it's clean and dry:

Footwear:

Shoes	Boots	Sneakers
Heels	Work Boots	Cleats
Pumps	Dress Boots	Slippers
Sandals	Winter Boots	Flip Flops

Clothing:

Tops	Pants	Undergarments
Sweaters	Jeans	Socks
Sweatshirts	Sweatpants	T-Shirts
Dresses	Skirts	Slips
Tank Tops	Shorts	Pajama's
Blazers	Slacks	Coats

Accessories:

Hats	Gloves	Scarfs
Pocketbooks	Duffle Bags	Totes
Belts	Ties	Bathrobes

Linens:

Sheets	Aprons	Comforters
Blankets	Dish Towels	Throw Rugs
Draperies	Table linens	Placemats

Stuffed Animals

In any condition, 95% of all textiles can be recycled or reused

Reduce - Reuse - Recycle