



Waste Reduction Resource Guide for La Grange, Illinois and surrounding communities

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www.gogreenlagrange.org

The purpose of this guide is to share information so we can divert garbage from landfills. The resources listed will either accept your unwanted household items or help you find an appropriate place for donation. If you know of other resources, please email us at info@gogreenlagrange.org. We want your input!

In addition to using this guide, you can significantly reduce the amount of garbage you produce by becoming aware of your consumption and making a few lifestyle changes. Just remind yourself there is no “away” and practice the 3R’s: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

Reduce Buy and use less

Of the 3R’s, Reduce is the best way to protect the planet.

- Buy or take only items you need.
- Buy items that have very little packaging.
- Refuse unnecessary items, even if they are free!

Reuse Use an item over and over again

Of the 3R’s, Reuse is the second best way to protect the planet. Reusing is better than recycling because items don’t require reprocessing before being used again.

- Reuse food storage containers, cloth napkins, shopping bags, produce bags, plastic utensils, coffee mugs, personal water bottles, shoes, and clothing.
- Repair, donate, or sell items instead of throwing them away.

Recycle Turn old materials (garbage) into new products.

Of the 3R's, Recycle is the third best way to protect the planet.

- Recycle paper, newspaper, aluminum cans, plastic containers, and glass bottles.

By practicing the 3R's, you will save natural resources and energy, keep materials out of landfills, and make the air, land, and water cleaner.

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All/Multiple Items

Best Buy

11 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-5777
www.bestbuy.com

Accepts batteries, cell phones, computers, light bulbs, appliances, and more.

Carousel Resale Shop

23 Calendar Avenue
La Grange, IL 60525
708-354-3803

www.communitynurse.org/resaleshops.htm

Accepts a variety of items, including clothing, toys, and videos. Donations accepted at the red door at the rear of the shop by way of the alley (oneway headed west of La Grange Rd, just south of Burlington) Mon-Sat 9am-4pm.

Chicago Recycling Coalition

PO Box 87442,
Chicago, IL 60680
www.chicagorecycling.org

Provides information about recycling. You can find recycling locations under "Recycling Your Stuff."

craigslist

www.craigslist.org

Helps you to buy and sell items locally ~ an electronic classifieds.

Earth911

www.earth911.org

On-line site for locating recycling resources

Freecycle

www.freecycle.org

Yahoo group that allows people to give and take items for free. Items must be free, legal, and for all ages.

Good Will – multiple store locations

1201 W. Washington Blvd. Chicago, IL 60607 312-563-1187	1900 Harlem Ave. N. Riverside, IL 60546 708-442-3606
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7400 W 159th St Orland Park, IL 60462 60527 708-429-9030	6300 Rte 83 / Kingery Willowbrook, IL 708-429-9030
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Home Depot

140 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-1550
www.homedepot.com

Accepts batteries and light bulbs.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility Naperville Fire Station #4

1979 Brookdale Road
Naperville, IL
630-420-6095

www.naperville.il.us/hhw.aspx

Open Saturdays and Sundays from 9am-2pm (excluding holiday weekends). Accepts a variety of items, including batteries, light bulbs, weed killer, cleaning products, automotive fluids, thermometers, and prescription drugs.

The National Children's Cancer Society

1-888-875-4966
www.nccstruck.com

Accepts clothing, housewares, toys, small appliances.

St. Vincent de Paul

New donation line: 773-779-6700
Accepts clothes and household items.

Salvation Army

5040 N. Pulaski Road Chicago, IL 60630 773-725-1100	6536 W. Roosevelt Oak Park, IL 708-848-1181
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www.salarmychicago.org

Accepts a variety of items, including clothing, shoes, furniture, appliances, electronics, and household items. To request a pick-up or find a drop-off location nearest you, call 1-800-SA-TRUCK.

Whole Foods Market

500 East Ogden Avenue
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-986-8500
www.wholefoodsmarket.com

Accepts batteries, cell phones, light bulbs, #5 plastic, plastic bags, and natural cork. Recycling bins are located in the front corner of the store, behind the customer service desk.

Appliances

Abt

1200 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Glenview, IL 60025
888-228-5800

www.abt.com/green/Recycle.php3

For a fee, Abt will pick up old appliances for recycling when delivering a newly purchased Abt appliance.

AMVETS pick-up service

(708) 388-7800

Accepts small appliances ~ working ones only.

Best Buy

11 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-5777

www.bestbuy.com

Automobile Donation

AMVETS pick up service

708-388-7800

Accepts autos less than ten years old, with titles

Kars4Kids.org

877-527-7454 or 877-Kars4Kids

www.Kars4kids.org/car-donationillinois.htm

Kidney Foundation

888-319-2277

www.Kidney.org/support/kidneycars/index/cfm

Purple Heart

312-235-1000

www.Purpleheartcars.org

Automotive Products

Beaver Oil

6037 Lenzi Ave.
Hodgkins, IL
708-354-4040

www.beaveroil.com

Accepts used motor oil

Jiffy Lube

5550 S. La Grange Road
Countryside, IL 60525
708-579-3933

Accepts oil and batteries

Batteries (Household)

Home Depot

140 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-1550

www.homedepot.com

La Grange Public Library

10 W. Cossitt Avenue
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-0576

www.lagrangelibrary.com

Receptacle is located in the entrance to the library.

Radio Shack

535 S. La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-2360

www.radioshack.com

Whole Foods Market

500 East Ogden Avenue
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-986-8500

www.wholefoodsmarket.com

Recycling bins are located in the front corner of the store, behind the customer service desk.

Batteries (Rechargeable)

Best Buy

11 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-5777

www.bestbuy.com

Home Depot

140 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-1550

www.homedepot.com

Horton's ACE Hardware

60 S. La Grange Rd.
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-2110

www.hortonshome.com/Ace_Hardware_LaGrange

Bicycles

Goodwill and Salvation Army may also accept bicycles. See All/Multiple Items section for contact information.

AMVETS pick up service

708-388-7800

Accepts bicycles, if no flat tires

Terry's Bike Haus

9828 W. 55th Street

Countryside

708-352-4537

Wheel Thing

15 S. La Grange Road

La Grange

708-352-3822

www.tourdettower.com/Home_Page.html

Working Bikes Cooperative

2434 S. Western Ave

Chicago, IL 60608

312-421-5048 (donations, volunteering)

(773) 847-5440 (storefront)

www.workingbikes.org

Blankets

Goodwill and Salvation Army may also accept blankets. See All/Multiple Items section for contact information.

AMVETS pick up service

708-388-7800

BEDS program

Call 708-354-0858 to check for need.

Community Nurse Health Association (CNHA)

25 Calendar Avenue

La Grange, IL 60525

708-352-0081

Books

Half Price Books

14 Countryside Plaza

Countryside, IL 60525

708-579-1770

www.halfpricebooks.com/094.html

Accepts books, magazines, music, and movies. They will sell, recycle, or donate all items provided.

La Grange Public Library

10 West Cossitt Avenue

La Grange, IL 60525

708-352-0576

www.lagrangelibrary.org

Accepts good condition fiction and non-fiction books.

School and Community Assistance for Recycling & Composting Education (SCARCE)

799 Roosevelt Road, Building 2, Suite 108

Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

630-545-9710

www.bookrescue.org

Accepts K-12 school books, including text books and story books.

Cameras

Photographic Depot

110.5 W. Burlington Avenue

708-354-7800

Carpeting

Carpet has a limited ability to be reused or recycled. Thus, it is difficult to find places to accept old carpet.

C & D Recycling

2300 Carlson

Northbrook, IL 60062

847-291-1222

www.cd-recycling.com

Accepts commercial carpet tile only.

Shaw Industries

www.shawfloors.com

Recycles nylon type 6 carpeting. Accepts carpeting only in quantities of at least 500 square yards and only if you agree to replace your carpeting with a Shaw product. Offers items that have recycled material as well as items that are recyclable.

Carpet Padding

Carpet Cushions and Supplies

425 North Industrial Drive, Unit 121

Naperville, IL 60563

630-369-2303

www.carpetcushions.com

Accepts carpet padding.

CDs & Tapes

Half Price Books

14 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-579-1770
www.halfpricebooks.com/094.html

Accepts books, magazines, music, and movies. Will sell, recycle, or donate all items provided.

La Grange Public Library

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La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-0576
www.lagrangelibrary.org

Clothing (also see Consignment/Thrift Shops)

Goodwill, Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul, and the National Children's Cancer society also accept clothes. See All/Multiple Items for contact information.

Congregational Church of Western Springs

www.wscongo.org
Holds a spring and fall rummage sale. See website for details.

Cossitt Elementary School in La Grange

www.dist102.k12.il.us
Cossitt School in La Grange holds spring and fall clothing sales. See for website for details.

Pillars

<http://www.pillarscommunity.org/>

Computers

Each May, Lyons Township High School hosts a computer recycling drive.

Batteries Plus

6227 W. 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL
708-499-6977
www.batteriesplus.com
Recycles batteries and many portable electronics.

Best Buy

11 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-5777
www.bestbuy.com
Accepts computers and printers, but not hard drives. Best Buy will remove hard drives at the store for \$10.

Chicago Computer Recycling

www.chicago-computer-recycling.com
312-348-6062

Com2 Computers and Technologies

www.com2computer.com
877-977-2662

Office Max

9290 Joliet Road
Hodgkins, IL 60525
708-387-2303
www.officemax.com

Photographic Depot

110.5 W. Burlington Avenue
La Grange, IL
708-354-7800

Recycling Solutions Inc

www.erecyclingsolutions.net
630-655-5944

Sustain Printer Cartridges

www.sustain.com
773-277-3800

Consignment/Thrift Shops (also see Clothing)

Goodwill, Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul, and the National Children's Cancer society accept many items. See All/Multiple Items for contact information.

Carousel Resale Shop

23 Calendar Avenue
La Grange, IL 60525
708-354-3803
www.communitynurse.org/resaleshops.htm
Donations accepted at the red door by way of the alley, behind the store (oneway headed west of La Grangee Rd, just south of Burlington) Mon-Sat from 9am to 3pm.

Consignment/Thrift Shops (continued)

Corner Shoppe

27 Calendar Ave
La Grange, IL 60525
708-579-2425
www.cornershoppeconsignments.com

Hope Chest
717 W Hillgrove Ave
La Grange, IL 60525
708- 482-0359
Women and children's thrift shop.

Legrand Decor Ltd
www.legranddecor.com
708- 485-2204
Accepts décor for the home.

Small Change
31 1/2 S La Grange Rd
La Grange, IL 60525
708-579-1033
Women and children's consignment shop. Call for appt.

The Economy Shop
103 S Grove
Oak Park, IL 60302
708-383-2449
www.economyshop.org

Construction Waste
C & D Recycling
2300 Carlson
Northbrook, IL 60062
847-291-1222
www.cd-recycling.com
Accepts construction and demolition debris, both commercial and residential.

Habitat for Humanity ReStore
180 W. Joe Orr Road
Chicago Heights, IL
708-755-1840
www.chicagolandhabitat.org
Accepts furniture that has never been exposed to pets, flooring, ceramic tile, kitchen and bath cabinets, sinks, fixtures, and appliances. NO carpet or carpet pads.

Murco Recycling
708-352-4111
www.murco.net

If you are looking to demolish or renovate your home, Murco Recycling will auction household items to community members who wish to reuse them.

Cork
Whole Foods Market
500 East Ogden Avenue
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-986-8500
www.wholefoodsmarket.com
Recycling bins are located in the front corner of the store, behind the customer service desk.

DVDs
2nd Hand Mall – Buy/Sell/Trade
307 W Odgen Ave
Westmont, IL 60559
(630) 810-9980
www.2ndhandmall.com

Greendisk
<http://www.greendisk.com>

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10 West Cossitt Avenue
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-0576
www.lagrangelibrary.org

Web Sites for On-Line Trading
www.SwapTree.com (trade online)
www.bookins.com (trade online)
<http://www.flickflop.com> (trade for free online)
www.trashbank.com (trade or buy or sell)

Hangers & Dry Cleaning Bags
Most cleaners will reuse clean bags and hangers, so feel free to request this service from your cleaner.

Breen's Cleaners
604 W. Burlington Ave.
La Grange, IL 60525
708-354-0994

Hangers & Dry Cleaning Bags (continued)
Monica's Cleaners
537 La Grange Rd.
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-3320

Superior Cleaners

1123 N. La Grange Rd.
La Grange Park, IL
708-352-2266
Accepts local bags & hangers only

Hearing Aids**Hear Now Program**

6700 Washington Ave S.
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
Label the package or box: Hear Now Donation.
Include your name and address inside the packet or box.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility****Naperville Fire Station #4**

1979 Brookdale Road
Naperville, IL
630-420-6095
www.naperville.il.us/hhw.aspx
Open Saturdays and Sundays from 9am-2pm
(excluding holiday weekends). Accepts a variety of
items, including batteries, CFLs, weed killer, cleaning
products, automotive fluids, thermometers, and
prescription drugs.

Lightbulbs (CFLs)**ACE Hardware of La Grange Park**

900 E. 31st Street
La Grange Park, IL 60526
708-352-0666

Horton's ACE Hardware

60 S. La Grange Rd.
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-2110

Home Depot

140 Countryside Plaza
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-1550
www.homedepot.com

Whole Foods Market

500 East Ogden Avenue
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-986-8500
www.wholefoodsmarket.com

Recycling bins are located in the front corner of the store, behind the customer service desk.

Packing Peanuts**The UPS Store of La Grange**

106 West Calendar Court
La Grange, IL 60525
708-354-8772
www.upsлагrange.com
Accepts packing peanuts and bubble wrap.

Paint (Latex only)

Cost for recycling: Qt=\$1.50, 1gal=\$2.50, 2gal=\$3.50

ACE Hardware of La Grange Park

900 E. 31st Street
La Grange Park, IL 60526
708-352-0666

Horton's ACE Hardware

60 S. La Grange Rd.
La Grange, IL 60525
708-352-2110

Plastic Bags

All plastic bags should be dry, clean, and without food.

Jewel/Osco stores:

507 East Woodlawn
La Grange Park, IL 60525
708-354-4643

5545 Brainard Avenue
Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-0120

2128 Manheim
Westchester, IL 60154
708-531-9560

Plastic Bags (continued)**Whole Foods Market**

500 East Ogden Avenue
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-986-8500
www.wholefoodsmarket.com
Recycling bins are located in the front corner of the

store, behind the customer service desk. Also accepts shrink wrap.

Resale Shops (see Consignment/Thrift Shops)

Telephones (Cellular)

Best Buy

11 Countryside Plaza
Countryside
708-352-5777
www.bestbuy.com

Whole Foods Market

500 East Ogden Avenue
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-986-8500
www.wholefoodsmarket.com

Recycling bins are located in the front corner of the store, behind the customer service desk.

Televisions

Best Buy

11 Countryside Plaza
Countryside
708-352-5777
www.bestbuy.com

Accepts televisions up to 32" for a \$10 fee and gives a \$10 gift card in exchange.

Tires

Discount Tire Co

5505 S La Grange Road
Countryside
708-579-9438
www.discounttire.com

Accepts tires for recycling @ \$3 per tire.

Towels

Carousel Resale Shop

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708-354-3803
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Towels must be new to gently used condition. Donations accepted at the red door at the rear of the shop by way of the alley (oneway headed west of La

Grange Rd, just south of Burlington) Mon-Sat 9am-4pm.

Toys (For Animals)

Hinsdale Humane Society

22 N Elm Street
Hinsdale
630-323-5630
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org

Drop off toys during business hours Tues – Sun. Will also accept animal crates.

Toys (For Children)

Carousel Resale Shop

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La Grange, IL 60525
708-354-3803
www.communitynurse.org/resaleshops.htm

Toys must be new to gently used condition. Donations accepted at the red door at the rear of the shop by way of the alley (oneway headed west of La Grange Rd, just south of Burlington) Mon-Sat 9am-4pm.

Videos

Carousel Resale Shop

23 Calendar Avenue
La Grange, IL 60525
708-354-3803
www.communitynurse.org/resaleshops.htm

Videos must be new to gently used condition. Donations accepted at the red door at the rear of the shop by way of the alley (oneway headed west of La Grange Rd, just south of Burlington) Mon-Sat 9am-4pm.

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