



# DONATION GUIDELINES



**THRIFT STORE (248) 360-4977**

## **Our Mission**

Open Door Outreach Center's Primary Mission is to Provide Emergency Services of Food, Clothing, and Referral Information to People in Need, While recognizing the Human Dignity of All Persons.

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

Open Door Thrift Store will gratefully accept your gently used clean donations that can be sold in our store to support our mission. 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 placed in our shed during business hours. Please, donate during our business hours; due to theft **DO NOT** leave donated items unattended, and no dumping. All donations to the Open Door Outreach are tax deductible. Simply ask for a charitable contribution receipt. 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, no cassettes or VHS tapes, magazines less than 2 years old, toys free of lead paint and recalls*)
- Shoes and Accessories (*handbags, Jewelry, ties, belts, scarves, etc.*)
- Household items (*dishes, glass-ware, pots and pans, coffee pots, toasters, must be clean, undamaged and in working order*)
- Home Décor (*wall art, knick knacks, etc.*)
- 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, drapery, shower curtains, clean gently used, free of stains, rips or tears*)
- Sporting goods and (*golf clubs, rackets, bicycles, camping supplies, etc. if in good repair. No weight benches, treadmills, or home gym equipment. Please call store for clarification*)
- Holiday and Seasonal items (*holiday decorations, gardening tools, planting pots, unused greeting cards, in undamaged condition*)



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- Large Appliances (*this includes refrigerators, ranges, stoves, dishwashers, etc.*)
- Building Materials (*this includes hard wired light fixtures, 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
- Furniture of any size

**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.**