



# sanitation

**Kathryn Garcia**  
Commissioner

**Good news! Your district, Brooklyn 11, has been selected for a one-time only curbside clothing collection by the Department of Sanitation.**

Each year, New York City residents throw away over 200,000 tons of clothing and textiles. To make it easier to reuse or recycle unwanted clothing, DSNY is testing curbside collection of clothing.

**On your recycling day during the week of October 26, you can set out unwanted clothing for DSNY pickup.**

## HOW TO SET OUT CLOTHING FOR DSNY COLLECTION

1. Fill the two enclosed pink bags with clean, unwanted clothing. Securely tie the bags and place them at the curb anytime after 4pm the night before your recycling day.
2. Fill the pink bags with clean, unwanted clothing, shoes, handbags, belts, towels, linens, and curtains. It's OK to include ripped or torn items because these will be recycled. Please do not include books, rugs, suitcases, lamps, or children's toys.
3. If you need additional bags, please download and print labels to tape to clear plastic bags to designate them for textile recycling. You may also be able to contact your local Community Board for extra pink bags for the pilot (go to [nyc.gov/cau](http://nyc.gov/cau) and click on Find Your Community Board). Labels and more information can be found at [on.nyc.gov/textile-collection-pilot](http://on.nyc.gov/textile-collection-pilot).

### ACCEPTED:



clothing • shoes (pairs only) • accessories •  
handbags, wallets & computer cases •  
gently-used linens & bedding •  
gently-used towels & curtains • clean rags

### NOT ACCEPTED:



pillows • mattresses or futons •  
toys or stuffed animals • books • lamps •  
suitcases • rugs

## WHAT HAPPENS TO DONATED ITEMS

DSNY will bring all collected clothing to Goodwill. Your donations will help support their mission to empower individuals with disabilities and other barriers to employment to gain independence through the power of work.

You can download and print tax receipts for your textile donation at [on.nyc.gov/textile-collection-pilot-receipt](http://on.nyc.gov/textile-collection-pilot-receipt).

Sincerely,

Kathryn Garcia  
City of New York, Department of Sanitation Commissioner

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