



## ★ Acceptable Materials

### FROM YOUR ART STUDIO:

- ★ art supplies: paints, brushes, pencils, pens, sketchbooks, canvas, stretchers
- ★ frames (glass must be secured in frame)
- ★ glass sheets less than 11" x 14"
- ★ clay, sculpture tools, potter's wheels
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- ★ wood pieces under 3 feet long (no splinters, mold, dirt, nails)
- ★ mat board, foam core, pre-cut mats, mat cutters
- ★ easels, drafting tables, sketch boards
- ★ rulers, drafting supplies, cutting mats, paper cutters
- ★ flat files, small art supply storage containers

### FROM YOUR LIVING ROOM:

- ★ artwork: paintings, drawings, prints, sculpture, photographs
- ★ small musical instruments (working or not)
- ★ tiny toys: plastic animals, matchbox cars, Legos
- ★ vintage board games or contemporary board game pieces
- ★ posters, calendars, wallpaper
- ★ non-decorated baskets, suitcases, cigar boxes
- ★ books, magazines, and zines related to art, craft, DIY
- ★ vases and decorative containers, fake flowers
- ★ small mirrors (mirrors larger than 11" x 14" must be framed)

### FROM YOUR BUSINESS:

- ★ outdated swag, bags, signs, letters, stickers, labels, stamps
- ★ architecture and design samples, blueprints
- ★ spools, reels, cones, cardboard tubes (no TP tubes), clean lab, supplies
- ★ mannequins, display fixtures, stands, bookends
- ★ packing peanuts (please put in a shopping bag), bubble wrap

### FROM YOUR KITCHEN:

*Items must be clean. No common recyclables. No odors or stains.*

- ★ wine corks, metal bottle caps (no plastic), pop tabs
- ★ twist ties, rubber bands, bag clasps, magnets
- ★ clean tote bags, clean brown paper bags with handles
- ★ forks, spoons (no knives and no other kitchenware)
- ★ unused Ziploc-style plastic bags

### FROM YOUR CRAFT STASH:

- ★ stationery, scrapbooking materials, stickers, organizers
- ★ leather scraps, unused foam pieces, upholstery bolts
- ★ glitter, craft kits, kid art supplies, crayons, markers
- ★ fabric larger than 1/2 yard (no clothing, clothing pieces, or fabric scraps) (please remove pins/needles)
- ★ working sewing machines, unused pillow forms
- ★ needlework, knitting, weaving, and sewing supplies
- ★ jewelry-making supplies and tools, finished or broken jewelry, watch/clock parts
- ★ gift items: wrapping paper, bows, decorative boxes, ribbon
- ★ seashells, driftwood, rocks, gems, candles, wax
- ★ doll-making supplies, handmade dolls
- ★ stained glass, mosaic pieces, chalkboards, cork boards

### FROM YOUR OFFICE:

- ★ office supplies: envelopes, folders, paper, staplers, scissors, erasers, tape, glue, clips, desk organizers, old letterhead
- ★ encyclopedias, maps, atlases, globes

### FROM YOUR ATTIC:

*Please dust items and check for mold.*

- ★ used and unused greeting cards/postcards, trophies, awards
- ★ old media, floppy disks, computer boards and pieces, wires
- ★ working overhead/digital projectors, screens
- ★ vintage: curiosities, books, tins, ephemera, eye/sunglasses
- ★ working: electric typewriters, small record players, radios
- ★ snapshots, slides, filmstrips, negatives, photo albums
- ★ DVDs, record albums, CDs, cassette tapes
- ★ VHS: only blank and non-mass market movies (i.e. home movies)
- ★ fiber art, needlework, doilies, hankies, handmade items, scarves
- ★ manual typewriters and adding machines (working or not)
- ★ vintage or handmade small tree ornaments (non-glass)

### FROM YOUR GARAGE:

*No rust. No dangerous parts or chemicals.*

- ★ small, old machinery parts, gears
- ★ hardware, keys, tools in usable condition
- ★ clean plant pots (no dirt residue, no thin plastic seedling flats)
- ★ latex paints/spray paint (rust-free, with labels, mostly full)
- ★ buckets, barrels, containers, cord, wire, rope

## Very Important!

### IF YOU'RE UNSURE ABOUT ANY ITEMS, ASK YOURSELF THESE QUESTIONS:

- ✓ Is it toxic, leaking, unlabeled, rusty, or dangerous?
- ✓ Is it dirty, moldy, smelly, smoke-damaged, insect-damaged, or in bad condition?
- ✓ Is it something that has been exposed to the elements for most of its life or stored outside?
- ✓ Is this item more appropriate for a thrift store or other type of reuse outlet? (We focus on items for art projects, craft projects, re-purposing.)
- ✓ Is this item a personal care item? Did it ever hold medication or hazardous material? Is it a used medical device?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, please go to [www.pccr.org/donate/elsewhere](http://www.pccr.org/donate/elsewhere) to find appropriate locations for these items.

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## X Unsuitable Materials

- X Glass sheets larger than 11" x 14"
- X Unframed mirrors larger than 11" x 14"
- X Wood pieces longer than 3 feet
- X Fabric scraps smaller than 1/2 yard, clothing, shoes, costumes, clothing scraps, umbrellas
- X Household cookware and dishes, glassware, bakeware, used plastic utensils, broken pottery/plates/glass/ceramics
- X Household recyclables (glass/plastic/tin food containers, to-go containers, egg cartons, meat/fruit Styrofoam, lids, thin plastic seedling flats)
- X Food, or containers that have ever housed food
- X Styrofoam, coolers, cold packs
- X Computers, printers, TVs, batteries, used toner/ink cartridges
- X Curtains, sheets, bedspreads, tablecloths, used pillows, towels, mattresses, mattress foam, hangers, used/new carpet
- X Finished, pre-fabricated holiday and decoration items (wreaths, trees, glass ornaments, figurines)
- X Oil-based house paint, solvents, car maintenance items
- X Lawn equipment, hoses, sprayers, garden decor, dried flowers
- X Contemporary, mass produced kids' toys, electronic toys, dolls, stuffed animals (exception: vintage, specialty, or handmade)
- X Broken lights (Xmas, light bulbs), light fixtures (exception: vintage or art lamps)
- X Makeup, personal care items, perfumes, nail polish, toilet paper tubes
- X Animal cages, fish tanks, feeders, clothing, toys, food tins, bedding
- X Used medical items, syringes, needles, pill bottles
- X Mercury-containing items like thermometers
- X Fiberglass, concrete blocks, bricks, used tiles
- X Dried-up paints and adhesives
- X Cleaning products, chemicals, unlabeled substances
- X Vacuums, appliances, furniture, non-working sewing machines
- X Sports items (exception: some vintage sports items and large quantities of the same item like golf/tennis balls)
- X Cribs, playpens, bed frames (exception: dismantled vintage wooden crib pieces)
- X Contemporary electronics, cell phones

Please go to [www.pccr.org/donate](http://www.pccr.org/donate) to see an up-to-date list of items that we are not currently accepting. Sometimes we must place a temporary hold on accepting certain items if we have too many at once.

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## HOW TO DONATE

### Do you only have one box of donations?

Come by between 11:30 AM - 5:30 PM any day of the week. Please be aware that we cannot accommodate walk-in donations of more than one box. Please do not leave donations outside our door.

### More than one box?

You'll need to make an appointment so we can prepare for your donation. The easiest way to make an appointment is to fill out our online form at [www.pccr.org/donate](http://www.pccr.org/donate)

Or, give us a call at 412.473.0100.

### Business, non-profit, or organization donation?

Please contact us at [donations@pccr.org](mailto:donations@pccr.org).

## OUR DONATION PROCESS (It's a little different . . . like us!)

- On your donation day, park in front of our door to unload. Carts are available for your use.
- Bring donations to our donation desk. We'll sort out what we can and cannot accept.
- To speed up the process, please separate items as much as you can with bags, rubber bands, and clips.
- We'll return boxes, bags, and items we cannot accept back to you, and offer you a tax receipt.
- We'll be happy to give you tips about reuse options for items we cannot accept.

**Thank you for choosing reuse and for donating to us!**

Just one more thing: We can always use toilet paper, paper towels, natural cleaning supplies, white multipurpose printer paper, and monetary donations! These are all tax deductible too.