



Sustainable Clothing, Fashion, and Textiles

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Moving Out?



DONATE... DON'T DUMP!

Sustainability Starts With You

Use these tips to keep your clothes looking like new, reduce your utility/energy consumption, and repurpose your old clothes.

- Wash only full loads of laundry and use cold water
- Use eco-friendly laundry detergents
- Air or hang dry whenever possible
- Repurpose old clothes into usable products like cleaning cloths, bags, etc.
- Purchase from fair-trade and sustainable brands when you buy new clothing/textiles
- Choose clothes with natural fabrics
- Shop at consignment stores like Plato's Closet
- Pass your clothes on to friends or donate them to a charitable organization or store

Donate, Don't Dump!

The Department of Residence Life is partnering with Goodwill to provide you a place to donate your unwanted clothes, rugs, décor, furniture and non-perishable food items during move-out. Don't dump it in the waste bin when you can give it a second life with someone else.

Donation centers will be set up May 4-10. Locations will be announced on Res Life social media.

Events in April*:

April 9-13 – Shack-A-Thon in Rudder Plaza

April 18-19 – The 12th Can Food Pantry open in Mail Services Building (Office 119)

April 19 – Aggies for Charity: Water Gala in MSC Bethancourt Ballroom

April 21 – Jubilee by The PB&J Project at Sue Haswell Memorial Park

Orgs that Host Clothing Drives

- Sophomores Leading & Motivating (SLAM)
 - Hosted a clothing drive in the spring
- Aggie Rotaract
 - Hosted Thanksgiving Clothing drive

Quick Facts

- Fast fashion is an approach to the design, creation, & marketing of clothing that emphasizes making trends quickly and cheaply available to consumers. This results in excess textile waste and an increase in water usage.
- EPA estimates textile waste makes up 5% of ALL landfill space in the U.S.
- 85% of all post-consumer textile waste ends up in landfills while only 15% is recycled
- The average US citizen will throw out 70-80 lbs. of clothing/textiles each year
- Synthetic cloth can take 100s of years to decompose
- Approximately 95% of all textiles can be recycled
- By using recycled cotton, manufacturers can save 20,000 liters of water per kilogram cotton



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