

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY



Our guide to local resources for sustainable living



COMPOST FOOD WASTE! You can drop off your compost every week at the Troy Waterfront Farmers Market. It's easy: just collect your food scraps in a container during the week and drop them off at the market's community compost bin, located right by the entrance. There are also plenty of other composting drop-off sites in the Capital Region! You can find a list online at www.zerowastecd.org/composting/community-compost-sites

REDUCE

TRY BUYING SECONDHAND INSTEAD OF NEW, AND DONATING INSTEAD OF THROWING AWAY: The Habitat for Humanity ReStore accepts donations of new and used furniture, appliances and home goods. Then they sell them in their stores to raise money for home-building projects. Check out their website at www.habitatcd.org

There are also plenty of places in the Capital Region that accept clothing donations and sell secondhand clothes, like the [CAPTAIN'S Treasures Next-to-New Shop](#) in Clifton Park.



REUSE



RECYCLE

RECYCLE THE RIGHT WAY: Every place has different rules about what can and can't be recycled. Here are some tips to help make recycling easier:

1. Check to see what you can recycle locally. Look at your local government's website or try searching the recycling materials database at <https://search.earth911.com/>
2. Check the number inside the recycle symbol! Those numbers tell you what material your item is made out of. If your local recycling center accepts that number, then you're good to recycle!
3. Clean and dry your recycled items thoroughly. Leftover food, liquid or any other kind of trash in your recyclables can contaminate an entire batch!