



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Help keep clothes and other items out of the landfill**

(Barrie, ON) -- City of Barrie residents are encouraged to help keep reusable items out of the landfill by participating in the next curbside collection of textiles (clothing, linens, towels, stuffed toys and shoes). The next textile curbside collection will take place from September 11 to 15, 2023.

Donating your items is easy:

1. Confirm your textile collection day (it's a different day than your regular collection day for garbage, recycling and green bin material).
2. Place your items in a bag (preferably a clear bag, but if you don't have a clear bag, you can use any type of waterproof bag), and put a note on the bag that says "textiles".
3. Put your items out on the curb on your textile collection day by 7 a.m., rain or shine. The bags will be picked up by Recycling Rewards trucks before 5 p.m. on your textile collection day.

Visit [RecyclingRewards.com/barrie](https://RecyclingRewards.com/barrie), call 1-866-927-3873, or email [info@recyclingrewards.com](mailto:info@recyclingrewards.com) to determine your textile collection day, to review the full list of acceptable items, or if you have questions. Your textile collection day is different than your regular garbage, recycling and green bin collection day.

During the last textile collection in May 2023, Recycling Rewards trucks collected 14.32 tonnes of material from Barrie homes.

Barrie has two curbside textile collections per year, and the next collection will take place in May 2024.

There are also four textile bins at facilities across the city that accept textile donations year round. The bin locations are as follows: Operations Centre at 165 Ferndale Drive North, Wastewater Treatment Facility at 167 Bradford Street, Sadlon Arena at 555 Bayview Drive, and Allandale Recreation Centre at 190 Bayview Drive.

Visit [barrie.ca/AlternativeWasteDisposal](https://barrie.ca/AlternativeWasteDisposal) for more information about ways to dispose of reusable clothing, textiles, and other items.

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