

# Moving guide

## Plan before you pack (and unpack)

Before you begin packing, set aside any items you no longer want. This guide will help you make the best plan for these items.

One of the biggest challenges may be locating and disposing of packing boxes

- Use your bags and empty containers to pack first.
- If you start looking for packing boxes before you move, you can find used boxes online at [freecycle.org](https://www.freecycle.org), [eugene.craigslist.org](https://eugene.craigslist.org), [facebook.com/marketplace](https://facebook.com/marketplace), [kindista.org](https://www.kindista.org), [buynothingproject.org](https://www.buynothingproject.org), or [nextdoor.com](https://www.nextdoor.com).
- Some movers will provide boxes at a reasonable price and buy back gently used boxes.
- When you're done, list boxes online if they're still usable or flatten for recycling collection.



## Find new homes for what you no longer want or need

You can sell or donate unwanted items instead of throwing them away.

- Have a garage sale or community swap. Ask your property manager if you can hold a garage sale or post items for sale on community bulletin boards.
- Post your items online at [freecycle.org](https://www.freecycle.org), [eugene.craigslist.org](https://eugene.craigslist.org), [facebook.com/marketplace](https://facebook.com/marketplace), [kindista.org](https://www.kindista.org), [buynothingproject.org](https://www.buynothingproject.org), or [nextdoor.com](https://www.nextdoor.com).
- Donate clothing and household items in good condition. Many charitable organizations accept drop-offs, and provide a receipt for tax deductions.



## NO illegal dumping

Ask property managers how to dispose of items that do not fit in the dumpster.





# Disposal options in the community

Is it recyclable or reusable? Use the Waste Wise App to find out.

[lanecountyor.gov/wastewise-app](http://lanecountyor.gov/wastewise-app)

Lane County provides public disposal and recycling options at 15 transfer stations throughout the county. For hours, locations and fees, visit [lanecountyor.gov/transferstations](http://lanecountyor.gov/transferstations) or call (541) 682-4120.

## Recycle these items if possible

**Books & magazines** — Drop off with the Friends of Eugene Public Library, thrift stores and used bookstores.



**Clothing, shoes, leather & textiles** — Drop off at St. Vincent de Paul ([svdp.us](http://svdp.us)), other thrift stores, or resell usable items.



**Packing peanuts & #6 block foam** — Drop off foam blocks at St. Vincent de Paul ([svdp.us](http://svdp.us)) and call "The Peanut Hotline" to find locations that accept packing peanuts at (800) 828-2214.

**Plastic bags** — Drop off at Safeway, Albertsons, Walmart, Fred Meyer and other large retail stores.

**Small appliances & electronics** — Drop off at NextStep Recycling ([nextsteprecycling.org](http://nextsteprecycling.org)), select transfer stations ([lanecountyor.gov/transferstations](http://lanecountyor.gov/transferstations)) or visit [oregonrecycles.org](http://oregonrecycles.org).



## Items that are illegal to put in the garbage

**Appliances\* | Computers | Lead Acid Batteries | Monitors | Motor Oil | Sharps | Televisions | Tires\***

Lane County Transfer Stations provide drop-off collection of all these materials (\* = fee item). Call Lane County at (541) 682-4120 or visit [lanecountyor.gov/recycle](http://lanecountyor.gov/recycle) for more information.

## Items that require safe disposal

**Chemicals** — Dispose of cleaning and garden supplies and more. Free up to 35 gallons for households. Call (541) 682-4120 or visit [lanecountyor.gov/hazwaste](http://lanecountyor.gov/hazwaste).

**Electronics** — Responsibly dispose of cell phones, computers, monitors, TVs and more. In Oregon, it's FREE to recycle electronics. Visit [oregonrecycles.org](http://oregonrecycles.org).

**Fluorescent bulbs** — Take your bulbs to Glenwood Transfer Station and some lighting stores. Maximum 10 fluorescent lamps per visit at Glenwood.

**Paints and stains** — Drop off your products at Glenwood Transfer Station and many paint stores. Learn more at [paintcare.org](http://paintcare.org) and [lanecountyor.gov/hazwaste](http://lanecountyor.gov/hazwaste).

**Prescription medications** — Unwanted medications can be dropped at local disposal locations. Learn more at [medtakebackoregon.org](http://medtakebackoregon.org).

**Batteries** — Bring your rechargeable and single-use batteries to most county transfer stations and some retail battery stores, visit [lanecountyor.gov/hazwaste](http://lanecountyor.gov/hazwaste). Lead-acid only. No alkaline.

**Sharps** (needles, lancets, syringes) — Bring your materials to most Lane County Transfer Stations (only in approved medical sharps containers).

