

# SUSTAINABLE WHEAT RIDGE SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING



#### LANDFILL DIVERSION RESOURCES FOR WHEAT RIDGE

\*Note: Electronics are not allowed in Colorado landfills. They contain heavy metals that can contaminate soil & groundwater.\*

Remember: It's always best to call ahead to confirm a drop-off location is currently accepting the items you are planning to bring!

Options for Hard-to-Recycle, Curbside Recycle, Compost @ Drop-off Sites Accepting Multiple Types of Items

Location / Service	Items Accepted
CHaRM \$3 Fee (entry), some items have fees to recycle beyond the entry fee www.ecocycle.org/charm 6400 Arapahoe Rd, Boulder 303-444-6634	<ul> <li>Hard-to-recycle items like: electronics, tile, textiles, glassware, Styrofoam, document shredding, ceramics and concrete, mattresses, bedding, plastic bags/film, printer cartridges, bike parts, bike tires &amp; tubes, solar panels, Freon-containing appliances, fire extinguishers</li> <li>Common curbside recycling items like: Single-stream recycling is accepted at the CHaRM. Glass, paper, plastic jugs. Boulder County guidelines for what's accepted in single-stream recycling</li> <li>Compostable items like: food scraps, paper products, compostable service ware (cups, plates, utensils)</li> </ul>
SustainAbility	<ul> <li>Hard-to-recycle items like: electronics, books (for both reuse &amp; recycling), paint,</li> <li>Styrofoam, shoes, cigarette butts, corrugated yard signs, CDs/DVDs</li> </ul>





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www.sustainability-recycling.com 6240 W 54th Ave, Arvada, CO 80002 303-425-92266

- Common curbside recycling items like: glass bottles, office paper, cardboard, and some plastics.
  - O These materials must be pre-sorted before arriving at our site
- Compostable items like: food scraps, paper products, compostable service ware (cups, plates, utensils)

### Options for Hard-to-Recycle Items (not an endorsement of any specific business)

Location / Service	Items Accepted
A Bedder World www.abedderworld.com/colorado-mattress- disposal.html/ 720-263-6094 hello@abedderworld.com Offices in Louisville, CO 80027	Mattresses, box springs, bed frame, futons, toppers & bedding accessories
American Textile Recycling Service atrscorp.com/colorado/ 2590 W. 2nd Ave #20 Denver, CO 80219	<ul> <li>ATRS accepts gently used, out of season, unwanted clothing, shoes, toys, and household textiles.</li> <li>This includes new, used, gently worn, dry-cleaned, laundered, outgrown, clothing of all types, regardless of gender or size. Items include jackets, coats, sweaters, tops, bottoms, maternity wear, children's, babies, undergarments, athletic gear, bathing suits, hats, gloves, socks, laptop covers, small luggage, bags, wallets, accessories and jewelry, hospital scrubs, uniforms, corporate shirts with logos, dress-up costumes and much more!</li> <li>Household textiles, soft toys, stuffed animals, blankets, sheets, pillows, memory foam pillows, towels, shower curtains, comforters, drapery, mats, small rugs, and more.</li> </ul>



#### **Blue Star Recyclers**

Fees apply

www.bluestarrecyclers.org/recycling.htm

953 Decatur Street, Suite C Denver, CO 80204 303-534-1667 • Electronics: computers, TVs and monitors, household electronics, printers, keyboards, DVD and VCR players, stereos, cell phones, printers, small appliances, microwaves, hairdryers, vacuum cleaners

## The Happy Beetle

Hard-to-recycle pickup subscription service www.thehappybeetle.com/whatwetake

- Plastic Films (#2 and #4 films: grocery bags, white Amazon packaging, mailing envelopes, dry cleaning bags, zip lock bags, bubble wrap, and more! If it stretches, we can take it.)
- Electronic Waste (TVs, computers, tablets, cell phones, cables)
- House paint, Stain, and Varnish
- Bike tubes
- Styrofoam
- Batteries
- Books
- Clothes, textiles, and shoes
- Lightbulbs
- Wine corks
- Eyeglasses
- Camping fuel canisters
- Fire alarms and carbon monoxide detectors
- Fire extinguishers
- Printer ink and cartridges
- Toys (gently-used)
- Car seats
- Baby food pouches (no juice pouches)

# Grocery stores like King Soopers, Target, Safeway

www.plasticfilmrecycling.org

- Plastic film like plastic bags, food wrap (clean), packaging films that e-commerce shipments and new electronic, household, and clothing items often come in
- All plastic mailers (ones that have paper & plastic or aluminum & plastic aren't accepted)





Jefferson County Library Foundation jeffclf.org/ 10790 W 50th Avenue, Suite 200 Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 303-403-5075	<ul> <li>Donate your books, DVDs, CDs, LPs, to the Jefferson County Library Foundation and support the programs and services of the Foundation and the Jefferson County Public Library! Our warehouse is open to receive donations Monday – Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Books must be in boxes (up to six boxes per vehicle only). We cannot accept donations brought in bags.</li> </ul>
Recreative Denver  www.recreativedenver.org/donate-your- stuff Donations are by appointment only info@recreativedenver.org	Items that can be used for education, art, and inspiration. Community members and local businesses can reduce waste and also help enrich education and the arts!
Restore Habitat for Humanity www.habitatmetrodenver.org 10625 W. I-70 Frontage Road N. Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 303-421-1908	<ul> <li><u>Donate</u> used furniture, appliances, tools, building supplies, and materials</li> </ul>
ReTold Clothing Recycling Mail-in Subscription Service (fees apply) www.retoldrecycling.com	Clothing, textile recycling
Ridwell Hard-to-recycle pickup subscription service www.ridwell.com	Plastic film, clothing/fabric/shoes, electronics, batteries, light bulbs
Rooney Road Recycling Center \$30 (entry fee for Jefferson County Residents) for items up to 75 lbs. Some items have an additional fee to recycle; additional fees also apply for over 75 lbs of materials	<ul> <li>Variety of household chemicals including: vape pens (non-THC), antifreeze, automotive batteries, alkaline and rechargeable batteries, accepts all battery types, paints, and varnishes, solvents, oven cleaners, rug cleaners, weed killer, fluorescent light bulbs (compact and regular) all light bulb types, fire extinguishers (extra fee), motor oil, insecticide</li> <li>Household hazardous waste</li> </ul>





www.rooneyroadrecycling.org/recycling-disposal-services/hazardous-materials/acceptable-materials-2/  151 South Rooney Road, Golden, CO by appointment only 303-316-6262	
Sell or Give Away Your Stuff via:  • Yard Sale • Facebook Marketplace • Freecycle • Nextdoor • Craigslist	Furniture, household goods, clothing
Spring Back Colorado Drop off fee of \$30 per item; also offer pick- up services for a fee (varies by distance) <a href="https://springbackco.org/">https://springbackco.org/</a> 720-515-1328 Drop-off sites in Commerce City (Denver Metro), Colorado Springs, Fort Collins	Mattresses & box springs
Terracycle www.terracycle.com Free mail-in/drop off Programs for a fee	<ul> <li>Items like candy wrappers, coffee bags, baby food pouches, razors, pens, even cigarettes. There are some free mail-in programs, drop-boxes, fee programs, and zero waste boxes.</li> <li>Boxes to recycle at your home can be pricey – Earth Day is usually a good time for sales/discounts. You pay a fee to have a box for specific items sent to your house. The fee includes the cost of mailing the box back to Terracycle once you have filled it. We encourage you to share the box and cost with neighbors! If you are a business or</li> </ul>



	community group, they do have some free programs sponsored by brand names that need public drop-off sites.
Thrift Store: arc Thrift Stores www.arcthrift.com/stores	<ul> <li>Clothing, shoes, accessories, books, toys, kitchen items, furniture, electronics (excluding televisions), décor, computers (excluding monitors), and household items.</li> </ul>
Thrift Store: Goodwill – nonprofit Free computer recycling goodwillcolorado.org/shop/locations	<ul> <li>Books and media, clothing and linens jewelry, furniture, housewares and decor, electronics (no TVs), small appliances, computers (working or not), exercise equipment, gardening and lawn care, shoes, and accessories</li> </ul>
Treasure Trunk Community Thrift Store www.thefamilytree.org/treasure-trunk- community-thrift-store 5892 W. 44 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Wheat Ridge, CO 303-421-9205	Clothing, household items, toys, tools

Options for Food scraps & Compost (not an endorsement of any specific business)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Contact your current trash hauler about whether they offer compost pick-up service for food scraps or yard waste. Make sure to ask whether they take it to a composting facility like <u>A1 Organics</u> (instead of a landfill).

Location / Service	Items Accepted
Compost Colorado www.compost-colorado.com	<ul> <li>Food scraps, paper products, compostable service ware (cups, plates, utensils)</li> </ul>
ShareWaste sharewaste.com/	<ul> <li>Connects you with someone in your neighborhood who's willing to accept extra scraps and compost it or feed it to their worms or animals</li> <li>Allows neighbors to identify they are accepting food scraps</li> </ul>





<sup>\*</sup>Reduce your food waste by: making a meal plan with family, making a list when shopping, or setting up an EAT ME 1st Shelf/box

<sup>\*\*</sup>Make your own compost pile in your backyard: <a href="https://www.ecocycle.org/backyard-composting">https://www.ecocycle.org/backyard-composting</a>. Did you know that <a href="leaving yard waste">leaving yard waste</a> in your yard is also good for pollinators?

SCRAPS Mile High Drop-off locations at Wheat Ridge City Hall and Wheat Ridge Rec Center <a href="https://www.ci.wheatridge.co.us/1798/Scra">https://www.ci.wheatridge.co.us/1798/Scra</a> <a href="psResidential-Compost-Drop-off-Pr">psResidential-Compost-Drop-off-Pr</a>	Food scraps, paper products, compostable service ware (cups, plates, utensils)
Yard Waste & Leaf Drop Events in Wheat Ridge Events are hosted annually by the City of Wheat Ridge and various Sustainable Neighborhoods in Wheat Ridge	<ul> <li>Leaves, garden plants, bundled sticks, and branches (in compostable twine)</li> <li>All items must be loose or in paper bags or compostable bags</li> </ul>
Options for Low-waste (Refill, Bulk) Shopping (not an endorsement of any specific business)	
Location / Service	Items Sold
Heinies Market 11801 West 44th Avenue, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 303-425-9955	Seasonal market sells bulk beans/legumes
Homefill Modern Nomad, 2936 Larimer Street, Denver, CO 80205 720-263-2656	Personal and home cleaning and care items package free
Joyfill 4340 W 35th Ave, Denver, CO 80212 720-645-2858	<ul> <li>Personal and home cleaning and care items package free; has some Terracycle Free</li> <li>&amp; fee drop-off</li> </ul>
Sprouts Farmers Market Locations in Wheat Ridge and Denver	Coffee, grains, beans, flours, candy, nuts, seeds, spices
ZERO Market	Personal and home cleaning and care items package free



Located in Edgewater Market 5505 West 20th Avenue STE 150 303-269-9902	
Ideas for Other Ways to Reduce Waste (not an endorsement of any specific business)	
Reduce Junk Mail	<ul> <li>https://www.valpak.com/coupons/show/mailinglistsuppression</li> <li>https://www.ecocycle.org/junkmail</li> </ul>

