

## Go green with Your Clothing Habits!

Did you know that textile waste and the fashion industry cause nearly as much pollution and landfill waste as big oil! Every year 1 trillion kilowatt-hours are used by global textile industries. That equals 10% of the total global carbon impact. In Canada, the average person throws out 81 pounds of textiles annually, while North Americans send 10 million tonnes of clothing to the landfill every year; about 95% of which could be reused or recycled, according to statistics compiled by Waste Reduction Week in Canada. Now more than ever the importance of going green with your clothing habits are important. The good news is that it is actually fairly easy to lessen your personal impact on the environment. For a start, address how you dispose of your old clothing by going through your unwanted items and separating them based on their condition. Then, instead of disposing of items that are in good condition try to donate, recycle or sell them. Listed below are a few of the local businesses that accept new or gently worn items, as well as some locations where you can sell your items. For those of you wanting to find inspiration on ways to recycle your items and turn them into something new, why not check out Pinterest!

### Donate:

Blessings Community Store – 45 Main St, Zurich – T. 519.236.4376

ARC Angels Thrift Shop – 140 Main St, Dashwood – T. 519-237-3774

Dove's Nest Thrift Store – 319 Main St N, Exeter – T. 519.235.2411

The Little Shop – 355 Main St S, Exeter – T. 519-235-0112

Of Rack & Room – 12 Albert St, Clinton – T. 519.482.5061

Salvation Army Thrift Store – 309 Suncoast Dr E, Goderich – T. 519.524.4188

### Sell:

Luv Scarlet – 392 Main St, Exeter

E. [info@luvscarlet.com](mailto:info@luvscarlet.com)

For acceptable items, please refer to: <https://luvscarlet.com/how-to-consign>

### Software Applications & Websites:

Etsy

eBay

Facebook Marketplace

VarageSale

For more locations please visit: <https://www.teenvogue.com/story/sell-clothes-online>