

SewGreen Donation Policy



YES PLEASE

FABRIC - all types, *1 yard minimum*, clean, folded flat, or in bolts. No small scraps. No mildew, odors, stains.
Cotton only: smaller pieces and fat quarters welcome.

YARN - all kinds, preferably in full skeins.

NOTIONS - wide variety in unopened packages, or in good condition.

TABLE LINENS/DOILIES ETC - no stains, good condition.

LACE, RIBBON, TRIM

POLYFILL - clean, unused in full or partial bags

BATTING - clean, unused, at least 1 yard square

BEADS, BUTTONS - vintage, packaged, clean

VINTAGE QUILTS/QUILT TOPS

KIMONOS, SARIS ETC.

PATTERNS - unopened, uncut vintage (pre-1960) or retro; doll clothes; Folkwear in good condition

SEWING MACHINES - call first

SewGreen is no longer able to provide receipts for tax purposes.



NO THANKS

CURTAINS & DRAPES

SLIP COVERS

BED LINENS, TOWELS

CLOTHING - whole or cut up

SMALL SCRAPS

WADDED/TORN MATERIALS

MILDEWED MATERIALS

MOTH OR INSECT DAMAGED

OLD STUFFING

FOAM RUBBER

FUR, LEATHER

QUILT FRAMES

CRAFT PAPER, PAINT

MAGAZINES, CATALOGS

CLOTHING PATTERNS, with noted exceptions

Please use clear plastic bags, if possible. Limit for a single load is 5 large bags or bins. Call ahead to schedule a large donation.

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DONATIONS ACCEPTED
11 am to 6 pm Tues - Sat.

Thank you!



About SewGreen

You may be wondering what becomes of the materials you have donated to SewGreen, and what we're all about. Here's our story.

SewGreen is a locally-owned green business with a strong focus on sustainability through reuse, and philanthropic community service. Our reuse program saves about 30 tons of materials from going to landfills every year, which is good for the environment. We maintain our position in the local economy primarily through sales of reclaimed materials, as well as high-quality new merchandise that helps us offer one-stop shopping.

SewGreen was founded in 2007. We have been at our current location since 2014. Our companion business, IthacaSews, carries new Janome sewing machines. We also refurbish older machines for reuse, and have a tune-up service for machines of all makes and models.

We teach in-house sewing classes to all ages for a low fee, and offer scholarships to any child whose family can't afford to pay. Five years ago, SewGreen established after-school sewing classes at Beverly J Martin (BJM) elementary school, Ithaca's most diverse public school. We train high-schoolers to teach the BJM students, and we supply the sewing machines and all the needed materials for free.

Over the years, we have worked with hundreds of children and teens who have learned to sew or who have had their first jobs here. Some of "our kids" have been with SewGreen as students, fashion show entrants, interns, workers, and leaders from grade school to beyond college.

SewGreen regularly donates surplus materials to community programs, and we fill our daily "free box" with extra stuff for customers and downtown residents.

The moral of the story? Your donation supports local jobs, low-cost sewing education, free community programming, and environmentally sound practices.

Thank you!