

# Campus Move Out Donation Programs

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# MOVE-OUT DONATION LOCATIONS

## 2021

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- Storage Containers
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- Books
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- Bedding
- Pillows or Mattress Pads
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### TRASH TO TREASURE

TulaneTrashToTreasure

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*No more guilt about throwing away perfectly reusable items!*

*Save on dorm room and school supplies next year!*

#### WHEN

Wed. May 5 - Wed. May 12  
10 am - 3 pm

#### IF YOU LIVE IN

#### CLOSEST DROP-OFF

JOSEPHINE LOUISE  
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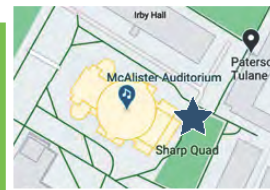
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# Approaches to Campus Move Out

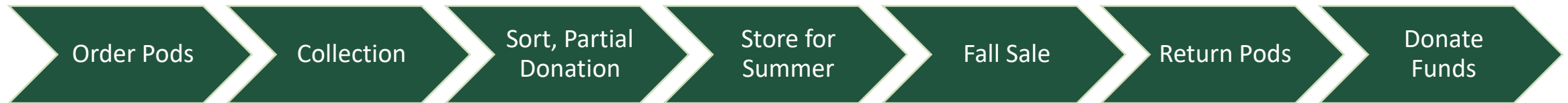
## Collect Donations for Non-Profits



*These move-out collections are in addition to a Summer Storage program handled by Housing & Residence Life*



## Trash 2 Treasure: Collect donations for Fall Resale



# Donations: Inviting Agencies to Campus



Agencies that accept clothes and household items (such as Salvation Army, Goodwill) may be willing to park & staff a collection truck

## Tips

- Choose only peak days of move-out (i.e. 2-3 days before dorms close)
- Find a prime location
- Have a tent adjacent for university staff to assist & answer questions
- Have pick-up plan for donated items that the agency won't take—  
i.e. food, beads

# Donations: Collecting for Agencies



University places truck in key location & staffs it

Small non-profits can pick-up from truck, or donations can be driven to agencies

## Tips

- Choose only peak days of move-out
- Place large "Donate Here" signs on truck
- May be able to borrow truck from Athletics or other university unit
- Requires student employees and/or volunteers!



# Trash to Treasure

- Student organization collects donations in the spring, hosts sale during Fall move-in
- Collects in Pods that are stored over summer
- Love the most-wasted items
  - Plastic storage containers
  - Hangers



# Trash to Treasure – Move In Sale



- Sale held during freshmen move-in
- Used Theater Department's lab theater
  - Had loading dock!
- This year accepted credit cards
- Provides low-cost items, with no packaging!
- 2021 filled 4 pods, made \$11,000, donating profits to 10 green & social justice organizations



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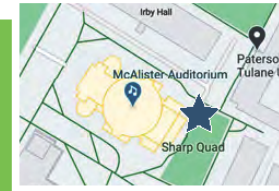
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# Move Out Messaging

- Ask housing to include in Move-out instructions, end of year floor meetings
- Include in parent messaging
- Tabling events outside dining hall
- Email to student orgs
- Fliers in housing
- **"Donate Today" Yard signs** and signs on collection pods & truck



# Next frontier... Off-campus!

- Provide info re: donation, recycling and bulky waste
  - Student affairs listserve
  - Social media
- Local landlord sharing green tips with other landlords
  - Connect outgoing and incoming tenants for possible furniture sale
  - Allow tenants to leave some usable items
- Off-campus collection difficult
  - Happens through entire month, over large area
  - Have some on-campus collection locations with drive up access



## Recap

- **Volunteers**, it's a heavy lift in a short, hot time
- **Timing**, getting your collection timing right makes the effort worth the diversion
- **Locations**, finding the right collection sites and reserve parking spaces early
- **Don't collect in Res Hall Lobbies** or collect only very limited special items (food, Mardi Gras beads) with daily monitoring
- **Friends & Destinations**, smaller non-profits and recycling enthusiasts may be able to help place smaller items (personal care products, laundry detergents)
- **Stuff is stressful!** emphasize packing light in orientation materials for first-year students