

CITY OF TUCSON ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Don't trash clothes or fabrics

Please don't throw your unwanted clothing, towels and other textiles in your trash bin or your Blue Barrel.

In the U.S., 13 million tons of textiles – clothing, sheets, fabric scraps, footwear, and more – are discarded each year, and 11 tons end up our landfills. You can recycle textiles and clothing and keep them out of our landfill.

- **Is it usable?** If something doesn't fit or you don't like it, sell it at a garage sale, take it to a consignment shop or donate it to Goodwill, the Salvation Army or a thrift store.
- **Is it damaged and not usable?** Most Arizona thrift shops and charities send unwanted textiles to special recycling facilities where they are turned into eco-friendly insulation, cleaning rags, carpet padding or rubberized playgrounds. According to Goodwill Industries of Southern Arizona, none of your donated textiles – even fabric scraps – will end up in a landfill.

Here are some tools to help:

- Download the *My Waste* app at [www.my-waste.mobi/AZ-Tucson/](http://www.my-waste.mobi/AZ-Tucson/) to learn how to recycle and dispose of textiles and more.
- Click on the Recycling Directory at [www.tucsonaz.gov/es/know-where-to-throw](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/es/know-where-to-throw) and search on clothing. You'll find a list of 70+ resale stores, thrift stores, nonprofits and faith-based organizations with donation info.

PIMA COUNTY WASTEWATER RECLAMATION

Did you know....

- Medication flushed down the toilet impacts our water quality, aquatic life, and the environment
- Most medicines are not completely removed by the wastewater treatment process

**"Dispose-A-Med** plays an important role in the protection of our critical water resources while simultaneously protecting our children by discouraging prescription drug abuse. It is an extremely effective program and a great example of Pima County and the City of Tucson working together to provide solutions for our community."

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Jackson Jenkins, Director  
Wastewater Reclamation

For more information and disposal sites  
visit: [www.disposeamed.pima.gov](http://www.disposeamed.pima.gov)

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WASTEWATER RECLAMATION

Your utilities services statement includes fees for your water, environmental services, and wastewater.

**Environmental Services (ES)** (520) 791-3171 or visit [tucsonaz.gov/environmental-services](http://tucsonaz.gov/environmental-services)

**Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department (PCRWRD)** (520) 724-6500 or visit [www.pima.gov/wastewaterreclamation](http://www.pima.gov/wastewaterreclamation)