

# Request For Board Action

**REFERRED TO BOARD:** November 7, 2016

**AGENDA ITEM NO:** 3

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation Department

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute and Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Village of Antioch, Illinois and the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, Illinois regarding the Village hosting and maintaining a site to collect clothing and textiles

**SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:**

At the September 14 Committee of the Whole Meeting, the Environmental Commission presented a recycling program they wanted to implement within the Village. The Reuse-A-Shoe program and the Clothing & Textiles program were discussed at that meeting and the collection of items by a SWALCO representative, staff involvement in the process, size of bins and location. At that meeting, all Trustees agreed to move forward with the proposed program.

**DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:**

1. Resolution
2. Intergovernmental agreement for the Clothing and Textile Collection Program
3. Site Authorization Form. (once a site is determined)
4. Reuse-A-Shoe agreement. An informal form used each year primarily for basic contact information and to make sure that people who are working with the program have read the Guidelines and are following these few simple requirements.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute and Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Village of Antioch, Illinois and the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, Illinois regarding the Village hosting and maintaining a site to collect clothing and textiles and other related documents to implement the clothing & textile and Reuse-a-Shoe programs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-xx**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, ILLINOIS AND THE SOLID WASTE AGENCY OF LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS REGARDING THE VILLAGE HOSTING AND MAINTAINING A SITE TO COLLECT CLOTHING AND TEXTILES**

WHEREAS, the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (the "Village") is a duly organized and existing municipality created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) is a municipal corporation whose purpose is to implement the Lake County Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, SWALCO operates a community-wide clothing and textile recycling collection program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Antioch is interested in hosting and maintain a site to collect clothing and textiles from Antioch residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Mayor and Village Board to Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Village of Antioch, Illinois and the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, Illinois regarding the Village hosting and maintaining a site to collect clothing and textiles, and all other documents related to this program and the Reuse-A-Shoe program.

PASSED and APPROVED this 7th day of November, 2016.

AYES:.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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Lawrence M. Hanson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lori K. Romine, Village Clerk

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE  
VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, ILLINOIS AND  
THE SOLID WASTE AGENCY OF LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS REGARDING  
THE VILLAGE HOSTING AND MAINTAINING A SITE TO COLLECT  
CLOTHING AND TEXTILES**

THIS AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is entered into this 1st day of November, 2016, by and between the Village of ANTIOCH, Illinois (“VILLAGE”) and the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, Illinois (“AGENCY”).

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the VILLAGE is a unit of local government organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the AGENCY is a municipal corporation and public body politic and corporate of the State of Illinois which was created by Intergovernmental Agreement pursuant to Section 3.2 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/3.2 and Article VII, Section 10 of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the AGENCY is to implement the Lake County Solid Waste Management Plan (“PLAN”) as adopted by the Lake County Board on September 12, 1989 and amended from time to time thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the VILLAGE is a member of the AGENCY and adopted an ordinance duly authorizing its membership in the AGENCY; and

WHEREAS, the AGENCY is authorized by the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act to plan, construct, reconstruct, acquire, own, lease, equip, extend, improve, manage, operate, maintain, repair, close and finance waste projects; and

WHEREAS, the AGENCY operates a community-wide clothing and textile recycling collection program; and

WHEREAS, the AGENCY has entered into and maintains an agreement with Chicago Textile and Recycling, a Division of Wipeco, Inc., (“the Contractor”); and

WHEREAS the AGENCY and the VILLAGE want to expand the clothing and textile recycling collection program to all ANTIOCH residents; and

WHEREAS, the VILLAGE has indicated their desire to collect clothing and textiles; and

WHEREAS, the VILLAGE agrees to host and maintain a site to collect clothing and textiles from ANTIOCH residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual promises and obligations expressed herein and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency, adequacy and receipt of which are hereby acknowledged, IT IS HEREBY AGREED by and between the parties as follows:

**SECTION 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The parties agree that the recitals have been incorporated by reference into the rest of the Agreement as if fully set forth herein.

**SECTION 2. Definitions.**

- A. “Clothing and Textiles” means all acceptable clothing and textiles contained in the attached list contained in Exhibit I. The list of acceptable items shall not be modified without prior written notice from the AGENCY.
- B. “Contract” means a Contract entered into between the Agency and a contractor for the processing, recycling and repurposing of the collected materials. The agency currently has a contract with Chicago Textile Recycling, a Division of Wipeco, Inc.
- C. “Per Pound Credit” means the number calculated by multiplying the weight of the materials collected by the value of the material per pound accordance with the terms of the Contract.
- D. “Revenue Share or Member/Partner Portion of the Per Pound Credit” means an appropriation of one third (33.3 percent) of the total amount of the Per Pound Credit provided in accordance with the terms of the Contract.
- E. “Insurance” means the following:

<u>Types of Insurance</u>		<u>Limits</u>
General Liability	Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
Commercial Liability	Damage to rented Premises	\$50,000 each occurrence
Per Occurrence	Medical Expenses	\$5,000 any one person
	Personal Injury	\$1,000,000
	General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
	Products –Comp/OP	\$2,000,000
	Professional	\$1,000,000

**SECTION 3. AGENCY Responsibilities:**

- A. Maintain the Contract with a contractor during the pendency of this contract or any extension thereto, to process, recycle and repurpose all Clothing and Textiles collected.
- B. Provide for the pick-up of Clothing and Textiles collected from the VILLAGE via the contractor.

- C. Report to the VILLAGE on the volume of Clothing and Textiles collected through the VILLAGE as reported by the Contractor.
- D. Provide a Member/Partner Portion of the Per Pound Credit to the VILLAGE based on materials collected through the VILLAGE host collection site. Prepare and deliver to the VILLAGE a check made payable to the VILLAGE for the Member/Partner Portion of Per Pound Credit, to be paid on annual (or as needed) basis.
- E. Acquire and maintain Insurance for the VILLAGE host collection site throughout the term of this agreement.
- F. Provide technical advice, assistance and support to the VILLAGE on the collecting and recycling of Clothing and Textiles collected.
- G. Help to promote the recycling program and assist VILLAGE staff with advertising resources and information, including but not limited to newsletter articles, blurbs for websites or e-blasts, statistics and fun facts, etc.
- H. Indemnify, and hold harmless the VILLAGE, and their respective officers, employees, and agents from and against all liabilities, actions, damages, claims, demands, judgments, losses, costs, expenses, suits, or actions and reasonable attorneys' fees and defend the indemnified parties in any suit, including appeals, for personal injury to, or death of, any person or persons, or for loss or damage to property, including the execution and performance of this Agreement. Said indemnification shall be only for acts, occasioned by the AGENCY's employees, agents, independent contractors, including the Contractor officers, members or any person or entity performing services on behalf of the AGENCY. The AGENCY is not, however, required to protect, indemnify or hold harmless any indemnified party for loss or claim resulting from performance (or nonperformance) of the indemnified party's obligations or the negligence or willful misconduct of any indemnified party. The AGENCY's aforesaid indemnity is for the exclusive benefit of the indemnified parties and in no event shall such indemnity inure to the benefit of any third person.

**SECTION 4. VILLAGE Responsibilities:**

- A. Establish, operate and maintain the VILLAGE host collection site to collect Clothing and Textiles collected.
- B. Provide thirty (30) days notice to AGENCY as to the location, operating hours and storage requirements for clothing and textiles.
- C. Advertise or otherwise inform and promote to the community as to the availability of the site to accept clothing and textiles.

- D. Provide the Agency and the Contractor no less than three-day notice, as to the need to have the Contractor provide a pickup of Clothing and Textiles collected.
  
- E. Indemnify, and hold harmless the AGENCY, and its Members their respective officers, employees, and agents from and against all liabilities, actions, damages, claims, demands, judgments, losses, costs expenses, suits, or actions and reasonable attorney's fees and defend the indemnified parties in any suit including appeals, for personal injury to, or death of, any person or persons, or for loss or damage to property, including the execution and performance of this Agreement. Said indemnification shall be only for acts, occasioned by the VILLAGE employees, agents, independent contractors, officers, members or any person or entity performing services on behalf of the VILLAGE. The VILLAGE is not, however, required to protect, indemnify or hold harmless any indemnified party for loss or claim resulting from performance (or nonperformance) of the indemnified party's obligations or the negligence or willful misconduct of any indemnified party. The VILLAGE's aforesaid indemnity is for the exclusive benefit of the indemnified parties and in no event shall such indemnity inure to the benefit of any third person. The VILLAGE in no way takes or claims ownership or accepts liability for the materials accepted, transported and delivered to/at the host site or transported and delivered to the Contractor, processed, recycled or disposed by the Contractor.

**SECTION 5.** Term. The term of this Agreement shall begin upon the execution of this Agreement and shall remain in full force and effect for two years or as long as the AGENCY maintains its contract with a contractor for the processing, recycling and repurposing of Clothing and Textiles. This Agreement shall be automatically extended for two years unless at least 30 days prior to the terminations date, either party provides written notice thereto that this agreement will not be automatically extended. This Agreement may be terminated by thirty (30) days written notice by either party at any time.

**SECTION 6.** Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understanding, representations and statements, oral or written, are merged herein. This Agreement may be modified only by written instrument executed by the parties.

**SECTION 7.** Waiver. No consent or waiver, express or implied, as to any provisions of this Agreement shall constitute a consent or waiver of any other provisions, whether similar or dissimilar, of this Agreement.

**SECTION 8.** Captions. The captions of this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only, and do not define, describe, or limit the scope or intent of this Agreement.

**SECTION 9. Notices.** Notices to the parties shall be in writing and delivered by personal service or by U.S. certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, to the parties at the following addresses:

**If to the Agency:** Executive Director, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County  
1311 North Estes Street  
Gurnee, IL 60031  
Fax Number (847) 336-9374

Chairman, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County  
(Same Address)

**If to the Village of ANTIOCH:**  
Village Administrator  
Village of Antioch  
847 Main Street  
Antioch, IL 60002

Either party may change the address for notices to such party by written notice to the other. Notice given by personal service shall be effective upon the date delivered, if delivered, or the date of attempted delivery, if refused. Notice given by mail shall be effective on the third business day after posting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement pursuant to the ordinances or resolutions adopted by the relevant authorities of the respective parties.

**SOLID WASTE AGENCY OF  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator

Attest:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Staff

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Staff





### SWALCO TEXTILE RECYCLING BIN PROGRAM – SITE AUTHORIZATION

**BIN OWNER:**

Name: Wipeco, Inc.  
Address: 250 N. Mannheim Rd. Unit B.  
Hillside, IL 60162  
Contact: Justin Woycke  
Phone: (708) 544-7247

**SWALCO (AGENCY) CONTACT:**

Name: Merleanne Rampale (SWALCO)  
Phone: (847) 377-4954

**SITE HOST (LOCATION OF BIN):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPERTY OWNER / AUTHORIZED AGENT:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*By signing above, the property owner/authorized agent approves the placement of a clothing/textile recycling bin on the premises per the specifications listed below.*

### EQUIPMENT (TEXTILE RECYCLING BIN) DESCRIPTION

<u>Item</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
Textile Recycling Bin	N/A	4'x4'x7' White Recycling Bin	\$850

### LOCATION & DESCRIPTION

Description of location specifics (to be completed by a CTR Representative):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

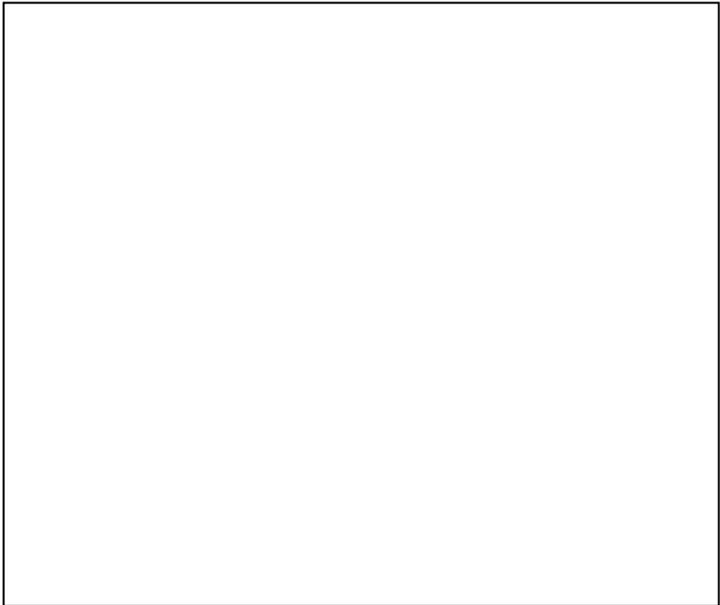
*Wipeco, Inc. shall provide a key for the textile recycling bin for use by the contact listed above, or another authorized representative. Please list below any additional contacts that may be authorized as "keyholder".*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

The textile recycling bin is accessible:

24/7  Other (Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The BIN OWNER shall maintain the equipment at his own cost and expense. He shall keep the equipment in a good state of repair, normal wear and tear excepted.
2. The BIN OWNER has the right to exchange the equipment listed above for equal equipment at any time.
3. The SITE HOST shall not remove or move the equipment from the location listed above without prior written approval of the BIN OWNER.
4. The equipment shall be delivered to SITE HOST and returned to BIN OWNER at the BIN OWNER's risk, cost and expense.
5. The SITE HOST shall allow BIN OWNER to enter SITE HOST's premises where the equipment is stored or used at all reasonable times to locate and inspect the state and condition of the equipment.
6. The SITE HOST shall not pledge or encumber the equipment in any way. Both the BIN OWNER and the SITE HOST can terminate this agreement at any time with two weeks prior written notice to the other for any reason. OWNER agrees to pickup the equipment within 10 business days of such termination.
7. The BIN OWNER makes no warranty of any kind regarding the equipment, except that OWNER shall replace the equipment with identical or similar equipment if the equipment fails to operate in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and operation instructions.
8. These terms are accepted by the SITE HOST upon delivery of the terms to the SITE HOST or the agent or other representative of SITE HOST.

Chicago Textile Recycling is a division of Wipeco, Inc.



250 N. Mannheim Rd., Unit B, Hillside, IL 60162  
Phone: (708) 544-7247 Fax: (708) 544-7248  
www.wipeco.com

# SWALCO REUSE-A-SHOE PROGRAM

2015-2016



## Registration Agreement

I, (Please print/type Coordinator Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Coordinator/s \_\_\_\_\_

as coordinator/s for our group, have read and agree to follow the **SWALCO REUSE-A-SHOE PROGRAM COLLECTION GUIDELINES**, which include pairing and counting the shoes our group collects. I will deliver, or arrange for delivery of the shoes, on one of the two Shoe Round-up (drop-off) dates in the Spring as determined by SWALCO.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Signature Co-Coordinator if there are two: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

New or Returning Group \_\_\_\_\_ How many years have you participated?: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates or Period your shoe collection will take place \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# Collection Boxes: \_\_\_\_\_ Collection Box Locations: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator 1 Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator 2 Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

We are a Year-round Shoe Collection Site (Mark x in box if you collect Year-round)

**Please return completed form ASAP or by March 1, 2016 to:**

**Merleanne Rampale,**

**SWALCO, 1311 N. Estes Street, Gurnee, IL 60031 or email: [mrampale@swalco.org](mailto:mrampale@swalco.org)**



# SWALCO REUSE-A-SHOE

## COLLECTION GUIDELINES 2015-2016

**REUSE THOSE SHOES!!** Collection partners are responsible for following these guidelines & counting, pairing, bagging and delivering shoes to the big Shoe Round-up in the Spring.

- 1. REGISTER YOUR GROUP:** Please fill out the Registration Agreement form completely. Any new or returning organization wanting to be a collection partner must complete and submit this form to SWALCO. If your group is new to the program or you have a new Coordinator, please note this on your form and we will give you a mini orientation via phone conference or in person. Please indicate how many collection containers you will be setting out and provide a list of collection locations/sites.
- 2. COORDINATORS WILL OVERSEE COLLECTION:** The Group Coordinators agree to oversee the collection and ensure that shoes are processed accordingly, delivered, and will see that the Guidelines are followed.
- 3. PROMOTE YOUR COLLECTION & COLLECT SHOES:** Any type of footwear, all brands, sizes and almost any styles (see back), in any condition (unless moldy or in pieces, no bottoms, etc.) can be collected. If you are unsure, opt for keeping them in the accepted group. Nearly 100% of the shoes you collect will be considered acceptable. Worldwide, less than 10% of all shoes are too torn or tattered for reuse. The majority of individuals in the United States do not use their shoes for the full life. Set up collection containers at your organization and out in the community as you like. Please contact Merleanne Rampale from SWALCO (contact info on back) if you need any help in promoting your collection in-house or to the public.
- 4. PROCESS YOUR SHOES:** Keep pairs together. Please tie and/or rubber band pairs. Keep pairs in tied, plastic bags. When promoting your collection, please ask those who drop-off to tie or rubber band before they drop and you will have much of the processing already done. You may want to set out a box of rubber bands near your collection container. You do not have to separate/sort athletic shoes from other types. You no longer have to cut metal pieces out of athletic shoes. Remove pairs from shoe boxes and recycle/reuse the boxes.
- 5. COUNT YOUR SHOES:** Please keep accurate counts of the number of pairs you collect to report back to SWALCO. You will receive a report form to fill out and bring with you to the Shoe Round-up.
- 6. SUPPLIES:** Materials, supplies and helpful information may be supplied (as available) by SWALCO. If you'd like supplies including collection containers, rubber bands, graphics and decorations for collection containers, a custom poster with your logo, created for you to post and/or use on collection containers, or would like to know what other materials or resources are available for groups, please contact Merleanne Rampale, 847-377-4954. Posters include your logo along with SWALCO's and the heading: RECYCLE YOUR SHOES HERE!
- 7. COMPLETE YOUR SHORT STATS REPORT FORM:** A short form will be sent to each group before the Round-Up, to report statistics, along with a map for the Round-up, and other information.
- 8. SCHEDULE YOUR DROP-OFF TIME:** Registered groups will receive information on the Spring Shoe Round-up, including locations, dates and times. Once you receive this, please RSVP by phone or email with date and approximate time your shoes will be delivered. This aids us in planning and scheduling.
- 9. DELIVER SHOES TO SHOE ROUND-UP:** Please deliver shoes in tied plastic bags. Coordinator will deliver or find a volunteer/s to deliver the collected shoes to the Round-up site (determined by SWALCO). The Round-Up typically takes place shortly after Earth Day (late April/early May— dates/times TBA). SWALCO staff and volunteers will help unload shoes from vehicles. Bring your stats report form with.
- 10. PLEASE READ BACK FOR LISTS OF ACCEPTED (AND NOT ACCEPTED) ITEMS:** Please read back of this sheet and note list of Accepted and Not Accepted Shoes.
- 11. HAVE FUN AND STAY IN TOUCH!!!** We'd love to have you share any stories, photos, social media posts, or videos with us! Feel free to call with any questions or if you need any assistance.

**Thank you for following these important guidelines!**

# SWALCO REUSE-A-SHOE

## List of Acceptable and Non-Acceptable Shoes 2015-2016

### Accepted

- **ALL types of footwear**, in any condition, excluding those in the **“Not Accepted”** list provided below. Dress Shoes, Casual Shoes, Work Shoes, Sandals, Athletic Shoes, Slippers, Crocs, Slip-ons, Boots and virtually all footwear not listed in the red box below. Accepted shoes also include cleats and light-up shoes. Virtually 98-100% of the shoes you collect should be acceptable.
- **All sizes** (adult, children's, and baby's— any size).
- **All brands.**
- Any shoes with stains or holes will be accepted.

### Not Accepted

- Ice Skates.
- Roller Blades.
- Snow Boots  
(Important note: **ALL OTHER BOOTS WILL BE ACCEPTED** including dress, work, safety, hiking, fashion, cowboy, and rain, etc.).
- Moldy shoes. Please dispose of immediately.
- Shoes that are so badly damaged, that they are in pieces or have no soles/bottoms.

If you have questions or need more information on SWALCO's Reuse-A-Shoe Program, visit the website at [www.swalco.org](http://www.swalco.org) or contact Merleanne Rampale, [mrampale@swalco.org](mailto:mrampale@swalco.org) or 847-377-4954.





# Promoting Our Clothing & Textile Collection Program



Please find a permanent, regular spot on your website where people can find info on the program and it would be best to promote it additionally via e-news, newsletters, social media, etc. on a regular basis. Here are a few fun themed ideas I came up with to help you promote the program each month. *If you'd like a longer blurb or article, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me (Merleanne) at 847-377-4954 or [mrampale@swalco.org](mailto:mrampale@swalco.org).* Everyone has been doing a wonderful job and residents are responding. We are doing a great thing for the local community, as well as the planet beyond, keeping hundreds of thousands of pounds of materials from our landfills. Additional benefits include conservation of energy and water, and reduction in pollution and carbon footprint, among others. Thank you for being a part of this. Congratulations on hosting this in your city or village.

*Three important notes to stress—Please add this to your website and share whenever you promote the program:*

1. We hope to receive materials of all kinds including donations of new and gently used materials— **new and gently used clothing and textile donations** will be reused and will help us to continue to accept and recycle the worn clothing and textiles. Please let them know this allows us to continue the program, offsetting costs. Many people seem to think it is only for torn and worn materials. We will reuse, repurpose or recycle almost all of the accepted materials we collect. It's a tremendous aspect of this program.
2. Pillows, Cushions and Rugs **cannot** be accepted. We have been receiving quite a few of these and they cannot currently be reused or recycled, and these items fill up the bins very quickly.
3. Please let people know that **shoes should be recycled separately through the Reuse-A-Shoe program**. If you do not have a year-round site in your village of city, please list the sites closest to you when you publicize the clothing and textile program. SWALCO year-round RAS sites: <http://www.swalco.org/Collections/Shoes/Pages/default.aspx>

**January** – After the holidays – Did you receive gifts and presents of new clothing and linens for the home this year?... Bring us the ones you've replaced. We'll take all sizes, types, and brands of new, gently used or worn, clothing and textiles. Curtains, quilts, blankets, towels, bedspreads, sheets, sofa covers, tablecloths...

**February** –Valentine's Day – Go Green Week or Love Your Neighbor Week – can tie in with any of these.

**March** – Spring Equinox – Spring Cleaning out the closets.

**April** – Earth Month, April Showers – we will take Rain Coats and Windbreakers – rain boots can be recycled through Reuse-A-Shoe.

**May** – National Pet Week - Pet costumes, sweaters, coats and clothing accepted.

**June** – Weddings – Formal Dresses, Suits, Tuxedos, and other Formal Wear; also T-Shirt Day falls in June .

**July** – Red White Blue – Picnic Month – you can bring us a number of different textiles to reuse or recycle: picnic blankets, table linens, towels...

**August** – End of Summer – As you pack up your Spring and Summer Clothing, bring us any unwanted or outgrown.....

**September** – Back to School – we will accept backpacks and tote bags, along with last year's outgrown school clothes.

**October** – Did you know you can drop off your unwanted or outgrown Halloween Costumes in the Clothing and Textile Bin? People or Pet!

**November** – America Recycles Day – November 15 every year – 85% of all clothing and textiles end up in the landfill in the US each year.

**December** – Winter begins – winter clothing including sweatshirts, coats, mittens, gloves, scarves and hats.

