

When You Leave

Moving out of your room can be just as seamless and efficient as moving in with these helpful tips.

[Don't ditch it. Donate it!](#)



Each spring, Carolina Housing partners with the UNC Office of Waste

Reduction & Recycling to make it easy for you to donate your unwanted but still usable items. Through the "Don't Ditch It, Donate It!" program, UNC has saved over 500,000 pounds of unwanted items from entering local landfills.

Spring move-out done the Tar Heel Way

This year, when you move out of your residence hall or apartment, drop your gently used items at the collection station in your residential community, and we will donate them to one of our partnering charitable organizations.

By making a conscious choice about how you'll handle your unwanted items at move-out, you become part of a campus-wide initiative to do the right thing and effect dramatic positive change.

Why should I donate?

- Donate for **sustainability** ? With 8,500 students moving out in the same week, it doesn't take long to accumulate a massive amount of waste. Keeping usable and recyclable goods out of the landfill is one of the most influential things you can do to extend the town's ability to sustain the University.
- Donate for the **community** ? Your gently used items provide local residents with access to quality goods at a low cost.
- Donate for local **charities** ? By reselling the items you donate, even at deeply discounted prices, our partnering charitable organizations can generate revenue that helps them accomplish their goals and provide essential services.

How do I donate?

Housing staff partners with the UNC [Office of Waste Reduction & Recycling](#) [1] to make the donation process as simple as possible. Attended donation stations will be set up in your residential community?all you have to do is watch the schedule for collection times and drop your items off at your convenience.

- View the [list of donation stations](#) [2] by campus community

When can I donate?

All donation stations will open a couple of weeks before final exams, usually in late April. These stations

remain available through the move-out period in mid-May. Specific dates vary from year to year so keep an eye out for our "Don't Ditch It, Donate It!" signage.

What can I donate?

- We will accept all **still-usable items** such as clothes, books, appliances, household items, unopened food, school supplies, electronics, computer equipment, and furniture that is not broken. Bring these items to the donation station in your community.
- **Carpets** are accepted in **any condition**. If they can't be reused, they get recycled. Please take carpet to the donation station in your community. It's important to keep the carpet dry for the recycling process, so please don't stick it outside in the rain!
- **Futon frames** are accepted even if they are not usable. Please take these items outside, *beside* the dumpster in an area labeled "bulky waste."
- **REMEMBER:** When in doubt, put it in the donation station! We would rather have to sort items on our end than have valuable items get thrown away because you didn't think they could be reused.
- A **[complete list of accepted items](#)** [2] and instructions for disposal is available on the website for the UNC Office of Waste Reduction & Recycling.

What happens to my donations?

Donations will be separated and picked up by the following charitable organizations:

- **TROSA** - www.trosainc.org [3] - TROSA is an innovative, multi-year residential program that enables substance abusers to be productive, recovering individuals by providing comprehensive treatment, work-based vocational training, education, and continuing care.
- **Carolina Thrift** - www.carolinathrift.org [4] - Carolina Thrift is a community-oriented sustainability initiative that works to reduce needless waste in Chapel Hill. The project's purpose is to extend the lifespan of items that are usually disposed of by conducting collections of used items at the end of the school year and hosting a large-scale discount sale in August.

Still have questions?

Please contact Debbie Bousquet, Facilities Management Coordinator, at bousquet@email.unc.edu [5]

Check-out Procedures

As residents vacate their room either at the end of the academic year or based on a contract cancellation, proper checkout procedures must be completed to avoid additional charges.

Residents who do not complete checkout procedures at their Community Office may continue to be held responsible for all room charges until their checkout date is officially recorded by residence hall staff.

Storage Services

At this time, Carolina Housing does not offer on-campus storage options for personal belongings or furniture. There is a variety of convenient storage options available including off-site storage, services that pick-up and deliver, and even services that will pack and ship.

There are bulletin boards in the residential halls, Campus Y and the Carolina Union where students post messages for sharing expenses associated with storage facilities.

The University does not recommend or endorse any particular storage facility at this time, and all arrangements are made directly with the off-site company.

Name	Website	Phone
Allied Van Lines	www.allied.com [6]	800.444.6787
Atlas Van Lines	www.atlasvanlines.com [7]	800.638.9797
College Boxes	www.collegeboxes.com [8]	866.269.4887
PODS	www.pods.com [9]	877.770.7637
Xpress Movers	www.xpressmovers.com [10]	800.778.4177
Zippy Shell	www.zippyshell.com [11]	888.458.8947

The following information is a summary of information from the local telephone directory. The businesses included in this list are not affiliated with Carolina Housing and are merely provided here for reference.

Name	Location	Phone
A-1 Mini Storage	Junction Road in Durham	919.471.6668
AAA Mini Storage	Junction Road in Durham	919.598.6999
ABS Self Storage	Between Chapel Hill and Pittsboro	919.929.1133
American Self Storage	Hwy 64 towards Pittsboro	919.721.1289
Ample Storage Center	Garrett Road between Chapel Hill and Durham	919.489.5999
Chapel Hill Self Storage	Eubanks Road in Chapel Hill	919.967.4460
Chatharidge Self Storage	Four miles south of Chapel Hill off of 15-501	919.932.6208
Colonial Storage Centers	Chapel Hill Blvd in Durham	919.489.1300
Compass Pointe Self Storage [12]	Exit 153 off I-85 in Mebane	919.246.9408
Extra Space Storage [13]	Cary, NC	919-460-3884
Farrell's Self Storage	McGhee Road in Chapel Hill	919.969.9877
Ferrington Self Storage	Between Chapel Hill and Pittsboro off of 15-501	919.929.1133
Hillsborough Self Storage	Hillsborough	919.644.6776
Lawton Storage	Old Greensboro Road in Chapel Hill	919.929.9057
Life Storage [14]	Hillsborough Road in Durham	919.382.0511
M & R Storage	15-501 Hwy near Pittsboro	919.968.8705
Rutledge Mini Storage	1904 Aiken Ave in Durham	919.688.5036
Security Self Storage	1601 E. Greer Street in Durham	866.357.4062
Starpoint	Smith Level Road at 15-501	919.942.6666

Name	Location	Phone
Stow A Way Mini Storage	Chapel Hill Blvd in Durham	919.489.8972
Surety Storage	Highway 86 towards Hillsborough	919.942.2822
Village Self Storage	South Greensboro Street in Carrboro	919.942.7725
West's Durham Transfer and Storage	United Drive in Durham	919.929.8629
Westview Self Storage	Hillsborough Road in Durham	919.383.4321

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Links

- [1] <http://www.wastereduction.unc.edu/>
- [2] <https://facilities.unc.edu/operations/building-services/waste-reduction/campus-recycling/residence-hall/#pane-0-2>
- [3] <http://www.trosainc.org/>
- [4] <https://www.carolinathrift.org/>
- [5] <mailto:bousquet@email.unc.edu>
- [6] <http://www.allied.com/>
- [7] <http://www.atlasvanlines.com/home-moving/storage/>
- [8] <http://www.collegeboxes.com>
- [9] <http://www.pods.com>
- [10] <http://www.xpressmovers.com/>
- [11] <http://www.zippyshell.com/>
- [12] <https://www.compasspointeselfstorage.com/>
- [13] http://www.extraspace.com/Storage/Facilities/US/North_Carolina/Cary/900347/Facility.aspx
- [14] <https://www.lifestorage.com/storage-units/>