

Peel and Salvation Army partnership Thrift Store celebrating one year

Peel Region and The Salvation Army Thrift Store are celebrating the first anniversary of their partnership tomorrow (Friday). They have diverted 1.1 million kilograms (2.4 million pounds) of Peel's reusable goods, which would have gone to landfill, and are encouraging residents to continue to donate during their fall clean-up.

'We're delighted to be partnering with The Salvation Army Thrift Store to offer residents the chance to continue to donate, and buy, reusable goods as they prepare their homes and yards for winter,' Peel's Waste Management Director Norm Lee said. 'Thank you, Peel residents, for supporting this reuse initiative and helping us to get closer to the Region's goal of diverting 75 per cent of our waste away from landfill.'

Reusable goods that residents can donate are gently used accessories, antiques and collectibles, books and media, eye glasses, furniture, gently used clothing, household items, plumbing fixtures, power equipment, shoes, small appliances, sports equipment, tools, shop equipment, textiles (clothes, bedding, and linens) and toys.

Peel's partnership with the thrift store offers a store at the Region's Brampton Community Recycling Centre (CRC) at 395 Chrysler Dr. and donation drop-off areas the Region's four CRCs in Brampton and Mississauga.

The Salvation Army Thrift Store will mark the anniversary and celebrate diverting 1.1 million kilograms of reusable goods over the past year with special events at the Brampton CRC tomorrow.

'We are extremely grateful for Peel residents' generosity throughout the last year of this partnership,' Michele Walker, national retail operations, said. 'To thank our amazing guests and donors, we are having a special event at our Brampton CRC location with refreshments, giveaways for the first 50 purchases and 25 per cent off everything in the store.'