



Guadalupe Resale Shop encourages early spring cleaning, donations

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The whole idea of spring cleaning dates back to the days when fireplaces heated our homes during winter. Once March or April rolled around, it was time to clean the soot and dirt that had accumulated.

That's obviously not a 21st century issue, especially not in Florida, yet many of us still have an itch to clean once spring comes around. Beyond simply dusting, mopping floors and scrubbing tiles, we'll box up clothing, books and other donatable items before making a trek to the local thrift store.

My hope is that you don't wait until March.

Guadalupe Resale Shop is a busy store year-round, drawing shoppers from North Naples, Bonita Springs and surrounding areas. With such a wide assortment of like-new and designer brand items, our products don't sit on the sales floor, shelves or racks very long before they find a new home.

That's why we need your donations heading into high season: like-new furniture, home décor, kitchenware, artwork, lamps, linens, DVDs and CDs, books and all types of ladies and men's clothing, including accessories such as jewelry, purses and nearly new shoes.

Any store manager, from supermarkets to big box retailers, knows it's a delicate balance between inventory and sales. Having products fly off the shelves is great for sales, but you need an appropriate mix of inventory to restock.

Our greatest needs at the moment are donations of like-new living room, dining room, bedroom and patio furniture, as well as home décor and designer clothing.

All donations to Guadalupe Resale Shop are tax-deductible. Donating in October, November and December means you can apply the tax savings to your 2018 income tax return instead of waiting a full year to claim the deduction.

Proceeds from all sales at Guadalupe Resale Shop help fund three educational programs at Guadalupe Center in Immokalee: the Early Childhood Education Program, After-School and Summer Enrichment Program, and Tutor Corps Program.

We accept donations from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday in the receiving area behind Guadalupe Resale Shop, 12980 Tamiami Trail North, Unit #10, in Naples.

Hopefully we see you soon. Your donation has a direct impact on the lives of local students and helps Guadalupe Center fulfil its mission of breaking the cycle of poverty through education for the children of Immokalee.

About the Author

Kat McNabb is manager of [Guadalupe Resale Shop](#), a boutique that sells like-new furniture, home décor, kitchenware, artwork, lamps, linens, DVDs and CDs, books and all types of ladies and men's clothing, including accessories such as jewelry, purses and nearly new shoes. Donations are tax-deductible, and proceeds directly benefit Guadalupe Center's educational programs.