Are you planning a major renovation, house demolition, deconstruction or salvage?

Don't dump DONATE!

Will you consider donating the materials you are removing?

You can save dumping fees, get a tax deduction, build customer good will and help the environment.

Here's how to donate by calling **The Loading Dock** donations department with a list of materials to be donated, and an approximate date when the materials will be delivered, or to request a pick up date.

It's your choice, pay to dump, or take a tax deduction.

The Choices

Demolition

The act or process of wrecking or destroying.

Demolition has traditionally been the method by which homeowners and contractors removed houses and buildings.

Deconstruction

To save from destruction or waste and put to further use.

Deconstruction involves carefully dismantling a building and removing the parts that can be re-used. Materials coming from deconstructions often includes, but is not limited to, lumber, doors, windows, toilets, electric service boxes, insulation, light fixtures, cabinetry, hardwood flooring and more.

Salvage

To save from loss or destruction.

Salvaging or soft stripping is an important part of the deconstruction process and crucial in assuring that materials can be reused once they are removed.

The Benefits

Deconstruction & Salvage

- Are environmentally friendly.
- Reduces the waste going to landfills.
- Provides materials for housing and community improvement.
- Provides the donor with a tax deduction.
- For deconstruction projects donors often receive a tax deduction which brings their deconstruction costs in line with demolition.

Environmental Benefits

Between 65 percent and 85 percent of construction debris winds up in landfills. The EPA estimates that more than 136 million tons of construction and demolition debris is generated each year. While much of that is used material ripped from existing structures, it also includes new items hauled away from construction sites.

Economic Benefits

The economic benefits are realized through tax deductions to the donor and delivery of affordable building materials to help build communities.

Community Benefits

The Loading Dock provides a warehouse and distribution center, allowing contractors and individual renovators to bring in used materials that are then redistributed.

Donation Tax Information

Items donated to **The Loading Dock** are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by the IRS and under the following guidelines:

The Internal Revenue Service Code prohibits our organization from placing a value on your donated materials.

Donations Under \$5,000

The Loading Dock will provide you a letter itemizing your materials donated.

Donations Over \$5,000

Generally for donations that exceed \$5,000, you must have a written appraisal by a certified appraiser.

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You or your tax preparer must fill out IRS Form 8283, and submit it for the appraiser to sign Section B, Part III, and **TLD** will sign Section B, Part IV.

This information is provided for general purpose only. It is the donor's responsibility to know and follow all relevant tax laws and requirements. **Contact your tax advisor before materials are removed**.

About The Loading Dock

The Loading Dock (TLD), Inc., established in 1984, is a 501(c)3 non-profit building materials reuse center.

The Loading Dock accepts donations of surplus and reusable building supplies, such as cabinets, toilets, lights, windows, tile and other items.

Donated materials must be in good, reusable condition. The rule of thumb when donating is to ask yourself if you would give it to a friend or relative. The Loading Dock accepts donations based on our members' needs and as space in our warehouse is available. If you have a question about your donation, contact our donations department at 410-558-3625 or donations@loadingdock.org.

Items The Loading Dock Cannot Accept

- Lumber or moulding less than 4'
- Single pane windows
- Paint
- Appliances older than 5 years
- Storm windows
- Broken items
- Partial packs of shingles

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"You could build a house with what people throw away."