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October Newsletter:

Vote us [Best Home Store](#) of 2011,
and don't miss the
[Fundraising Extravaganza](#),
featuring the DC Lady Arm Wrestlers!



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Schedule

We're open:
Wed & Th 10-8
Fri, Sat, &
Sun 9-6
(Closed on
Mondays &
Tuesdays)

Please vote us Best Home Store!

We only have a few days
left to win!



It's that time of the year again - the Washington Post Express is holding the "Best of 2011" contest. As a nonprofit, we don't have room in our budget for advertising, and winning this contest could mean great free publicity for our work! We won it in 2009 and 2010, and each time, we got a surge of phone calls from folks who wanted to donate materials instead of dumping.

- 1) Go to ExpressNightOut.com/bestof
- 2) Click on the **Shops & Styles section**
- 3) Write in **Community Forklift** for the "Best Home Store" category



Fantastic Fall Events!

Visit us!

Our huge warehouse is located at:
4671 Tanglewood Dr, Edmonston MD 20781



We're in the Hyattsville area, just 5 minutes from the DC line.

Please visit our website for:

a map and **directions to our store,**

to learn how to **donate building materials,**

or to support our work with a **financial contribution.**

Community News

Have you checked out our **calendar** recently? There are great events all over the region, including:

* This weekend, Oct. 1st - 2nd, **Metro DC Tour of Solar Homes**

Monday, Oct. 10th Cocktails for a Good Cause



Join us from 5-8pm for
Community Forklift Happy
Hour at the

[The Passenger](#). 10% of the
bar proceeds will go to us, so
you can support your favorite
reuse program while
enjoying the Passenger's
[famous cocktails](#). Near the
DC Convention Center at

1021 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001.

and Buildings.

Over 50 homes
will be available
for the curious to
check out solar
technologies &
sustainable
design.

Saturday, Oct. 22nd EXTRAVAGANZA at our warehouse!



Advance tickets are just ten bucks!!
It's gonna be our wildest party yet, featuring:

The DC Lady Arm Wrestlers,
Eat Wonky food truck,
DJ One HeART Muzik,
DJ Booger,
adult beverages, &
\$5,000 worth of silent auction prizes!



Motown Mama (otherwise known as Kitty S., our very own Reuse Associate) is getting pumped for her match!

Standing-room tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. There are also a limited number of \$25 VIP ringside seats. Click here [to purchase tickets](#). Credit cards will be accepted for the food truck & silent auction - but don't forget to bring cash for betting and beverages!

The party will be held at the Community Forklift warehouse (4671 Tanglewood Drive, Edmonston/Hyattsville MD). Proceeds will support our work to reduce waste, create green jobs, & make repairs affordable for homeowners, nonprofits, & small businesses. For example, we're trying to raise money to buy & improve our warehouse, and we hope to get a second truck for picking up donations!



Can you donate a silent auction prize?

For info on sponsorships, volunteering, or to donate a silent auction item, contact Christine McCoy at [RecycleGal\(at\)hotmail.com](mailto:RecycleGal(at)hotmail.com), or 202-246-0163.

Big thanks to the people making this possible:



DJ One HeART Muzik
 Dave McDuff & Sue Murray, Bartenders
 Curtis Stoltzfus, AV Production Services

October Sales



75% off Medicine Cabinets

Take 75% off all mirrored medicine cabinets priced at \$35 or less (*Sale does not include items without price tags, or items from our consignment partners*). Here's great project idea from **A Beach Cottage**: buy several vintage cabinets, and detach the mirrors (you can leave the metal cabinet parts at Community Forklift to be recycled). Then, hang them on a wall to bring light into a dark corner or hallway!



50% off Kitchen Cabinet Sets

Take 50% off the marked prices on most kitchen cabinet sets. (*Sale does not apply to select sets, individual cabinets, bathroom vanity cabinets, other types of furniture, or cabinets without price tags*).

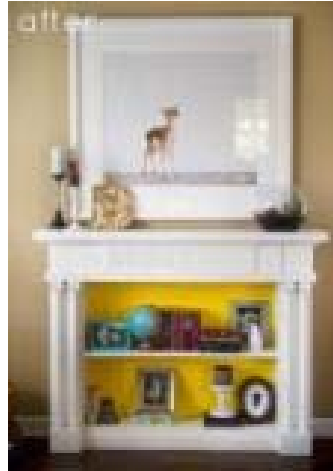
We are discounting these sets to make room for our big **Extravaganza** - so please note that cabinets purchased by Oct. 20th must be removed from the store before Oct. 22nd.

50% off Fireplace Mantels

Take half off all mantels with orange price tags marked at \$375 or less (*Sale does not apply to mantels with white price tags, to mantels without price tags, or to other types of fireplace surrounds or equipment*).

Perhaps you don't have a fireplace. Well, mantels also make great **headboards**, or **entryway organizers**.

Design Sponge featured this colorful **bookshelf**, which could be a great way to create a focal point in a bland room. In a narrow living room, it also could be used for shallow storage space underneath a flat-screen TV.



50% off Salvaged Doors



Take half off salvaged doors marked at \$50 or less, including interior, exterior, hollow-core, solid wood, screen, storm, security, and french doors (Sale does not apply to surplus/new doors, cabinet doors, sets of doors, doors in frames, or doors without price tags).

This month, they are cheap enough that you can afford to experiment! Create a **chalkboard** to plan your week, or get inspired by this **room divider** created by Forklift Fan Lisa Lincoln. For a rustic **table** like the one recently featured on **Content in a Cottage**, just add sawhorses.

50% off Neutral Ceramic Tile

Take 50% off the marked price on standard ceramic tile (Sale does not include other sizes or types of tile; unusual glazes, shapes, or colors; decorative, terra cotta, glass, or stone tiles; or items from our consignment partners).





20% off Lighting in Salvage Arts

Take 20% off the marked price on vintage light fixtures with white hanging tags, including chandeliers, sconces, Victorian, schoolhouse industrial, and Deco fixtures (Sale does not include other electrical items or lights with orange tags).

Featured Item: Vintage Hooks

Our Salvage Arts consignment partner recently brought in a big lot of antique coat hooks! There are a variety of styles, priced from \$1 to \$10 each.

Prices as marked



**Dirt-cheap
plants, straw
bales, decking, &
more!**



Landscaping materials arriving Oct. 5th

Did you get a chance to visit the Solar Decathlon down on the Mall? The U.S. Department of Energy challenged collegiate teams to design, build, and operate solar-powered houses that are cost-effective, energy-efficient, and attractive.



As they break down their exhibits, many of the teams have contacted us about donating truckloads of leftover landscaping items. We're still not sure exactly what we'll get, but starting this Wednesday, Oct. 5th, it will all be here waiting for you!



Priced to move

We don't have much room for this stuff, and we're not set up to water hundreds of plants - so we will be pricing them to move! For example, we expect that most shrubs, grasses, and trees will be priced at \$1 - \$10 each. Straw bales (perfect for a fall or Halloween display in your yard) will be only \$2 each.

Freebies to nonprofits

Please spread the word: we may be able to donate some of these materials to nonprofits and community gardens! (you just need to bring in your 501c3 letter)

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