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## Visit the Warehouse and See What's New!

4671 Tanglewood Drive  
Hyattsville, MD 20781  
301.985.5180

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Hours: Wednesday 12-7  
Thurs-Sat 9-5

## Community Forklift's Holiday Hours

**Wed, Dec. 24**  
Closed

**Thurs, Dec. 25**  
Closed

**Fri, Dec 26 &  
Sat, Dec 27**  
9 am - 5 pm

**Wed, Dec 31**  
This is your LAST chance to  
donate in 2008!  
**12pm - 5pm**  
(We're closing 2 hours early)  
**Material donations MUST arrive  
NO LATER THAN 4 pm!!**

**Thurs, Jan 1**  
Closed

**Fri, Jan 2 &  
Sat, Jan 3**  
9 am - 5 pm  
(back to regular hours)

## Last Chance for 2008 Tax Deduction!

Now is the time to clean out your garage and bring us those leftover materials to get the 2008 tax deduction! Please bring materials to the warehouse at least half an hour before we close (PLEASE NOTE donations must arrive by

## December Sales

### Free bathroom sinks

Look at the price tags in the sink aisle - select cultured marble and wall mount sinks have \$0 tags! (Limit 10 free sinks per household)

### 50% off single cabinets

Salvaged, unmatched kitchen cabinets are half off! Sale does not include surplus cabinets, bathroom or vanity cabinets, medicine cabinets, or cabinets that are part of sets.

### Steel Doors

Select surplus, fire-rated steel doors, only \$30 - \$40

each! (We recently received a large donation of them...they usually start at \$120- \$130 retail)

**We hate to have to say this, but...  
Don't bother scratching off price tags -  
Sinks, cabinets, or doors without price tags  
are  
not eligible for the sale.**

### 50% off Glass & Mirrors

Half off unframed mirrors and glass. Find some nice glass shelves, or glass tops to protect your furniture! (Sale does not apply to medicine cabinets, framed mirrors, or door-mounted mirrors).

### Free wood

Our free lumber pile is in the yard. Ask a staff member to point you to the right direction.

## Gifts that are better for your wallet and our world!

Loyal Forklift Fans know that reusing building materials is easier on your pocketbook AND the planet. But chances are, your son doesn't want a reclaimed brick in his stocking, and your sister-in-law would be a little confused if you handed her a 2x4 with a big bow. Not to worry! We've got some tips:

1) There are some fantastic ideas at the Center for the New American Dream's ["Simplify the](#)

4PM on New Year's Eve!)



Year-end financial donations are also very much appreciated! Checks should be made out to Sustainable Community Initiatives (CF's parent non-profit), and can be mailed to Nancy Meyer's attention at CF. Include your current address to receive your tax-deduction thank you letter!

We hope to accept donations online soon.

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### MEET THE STAFF: Meghan Adkins, Donations Coordinator



Meghan Leigh Adkins is a natural-born donations coordinator, who has been working for non-profits seeking donations since she was a teenager! She studied film in art school, then spent time touring the world as a rock star.

Meghan currently lives on a farm in central Virginia with her 2 dogs (Ruthann and Stella), her husband, and various other relatives. They are hoping to increase their menagerie next year to include a family of chickens, and a pig! She still enjoys being a professional musician, and definitely loves chili-- she says, "I can eat chili 3 times a day, hands down, for a week!!"

**As our Donations Coordinator, Meghan is the person who schedules CF to pick up your large material donations!**

We really appreciate it when you are able to drop off materials at our warehouse, but sometimes the load is too large--if you need us to pick up your donation, please fill in the form at:

[Holidays" website!](#)

2) Attend an alternative gift fair, where you can make donations to a variety of charities in honor of your friends and family. Takoma Park has a fair on Dec. 6, and Hyattsville on Dec. 13 - for more info, [check this website!](#)

3) Of course, you can give a donation to Community Forklift in the name of your favorite packrat, handywoman, or eco-guy! (Please email NancyJMeyer@communityforklift.com for details.)

4) If you must buy new...buy local! As Dr. Juliet Schor says in the L.A. Times: "We can find better ways to support one another than funneling our money through giant multinationals in hopes that some trickles down to its employees. Support local and socially responsible businesses when buying what you need."

One small business that could use your support is Urban Solar Solutions, which recently opened at the front of our building. They've got all sorts of affordable earth-friendly gifts, including solar chargers for flashlights and cell phones, organic t-shirts, LED Christmas lights, and ecology and solar experiment kits for kids! Call 301-209-0011 or go to [UrbanSolarSolutions.com](http://UrbanSolarSolutions.com) for more info.

Or, give your holiday business to some of the local companies that generously supported Community Forklift this year - check out the list of donors to our [Third Anniversary Party](#) and to our [Tropical Treat Dance!](#)

5) Get creative! Community Forklift's hardware aisle holds endless possibilities for making Christmas ornaments--this year, Ruthie is punching star shapes into little tin squares! Our glass is on sale, so get some stained-glass paint from the craft store and make suncatchers. If you have to wrap a gift, put it in a reusable bag that can be used later for grocery shopping (Urban Solar Solutions stocks Chico bags, 5 for \$20!). Or, stop by the Forklift for some of our wallpaper (only 50 cents/roll!).

If you come up with a fun gift idea using Community Forklift materials, email a photo to [Bea@CommunityForklift.com](mailto:Bea@CommunityForklift.com) so we can post it on the website and inspire other Forklift Fans! Please include a brief description of what your project, including which materials you got at CF. [See the Customer Creations section here!](#)

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### Upcoming events

**Green Roofs Class at the Green Building Institute**  
Saturday, December 6, 2008, 9-11am

Instructors Sarah Murphy of Green Roof Canopy & Sara

[communityforklift.com/pickups.cfm](http://communityforklift.com/pickups.cfm)

or give Meghan a call at:  
301-832-0781

Thank you in advance for  
donating materials to  
Community Forklift!

Loveland of DC Greenworks will cover what is a green roof, their aesthetic and ecological benefits, choosing a system to install, plant selection and maintenance with specific case studies. Participants will also get an opportunity to view the green roof installed at the Enviro Center.

**For more info:**

[www.greenbuildinginstitute.org/pages/GreenRoofs.htm](http://www.greenbuildinginstitute.org/pages/GreenRoofs.htm)

**National Building Museum series  
For the Greener Good**

Check out [www.nbm.org/programs-lectures/series/for-the-greener-good-1.html](http://www.nbm.org/programs-lectures/series/for-the-greener-good-1.html) for a list of their upcoming events.

The next one is **Divorce Your Car, on  
December 4, 2008.**

"While public transportation use continues to rise in America, the overall number of people served is fairly small. What will it take to get Americans out of their cars? What is the role of private business in public transit? How do you provide a variety of transit options? How can we design neighborhoods that are more walkable and encourage public transit?"

**Offer!**



**One FREE BOX (4 pints) of DAP Patching  
Plaster (\$15 value) with any CF purchase!**

Print out the coupon, fill in your name, and hand it to the  
cashier at checkout to receive your free gift!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

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