



A Project of Sustainable Community Initiatives / 34,000 sq. ft. of Low Cost Building Materials!



Visit the Warehouse and See What's New!

4671 Tanglewood Drive
Hyattsville, MD 20781
301.985.5180

[Click here for directions](#)

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

Does anybody have a
Snow Plow??



Community Forklift would like
to trade you store credit for
serving as our on-call plowing
service!

Please call Jim Schulman at
301-985-5180 if you are able
to help us out!

THANK YOU to the 403

February Sales!

**Specially marked lights and
chandeliers - 50% off marked prices**

**Specially marked bathroom sinks
(cultured marble and porcelain) - 75%
off marked prices**

Select Granite \$1/sq. ft.

All granite countertop pieces under five
square feet are only \$1.00/sq ft
(regularly \$2.50/sq ft)

Small pieces are perfect for radiator tops,
shelves, trivets, or little table tops! Sale does
not include floor or wall tiles, or granite pieces
larger than 5 sq ft

Select surplus, fire-rated steel doors, 50% off!

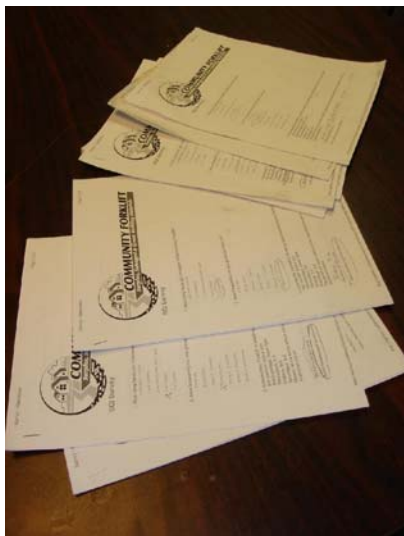
(they usually start at \$120- \$130 retail
- our sale price is only \$15-\$30!)

**Salvaged wood panel doors marked
at \$39 or less - 25% off**

Attention Gardeners!

As we get some of the first warm days of 2009, you
may already be thinking about starting your first
seeds. Here are a couple of ways Community Forklift

people who have responded to our survey so far!



The survey will be taken offline on Friday February 6, so please take it now if you want your feedback taken into consideration!

[Click here to take the survey.](#)

MEET THE STAFF: Aaron Benko, Truck Driver

Yes, we do have a truck and can pick up large donations from your home or jobsite!



has been able to help gardeners save space and money! February is a great month for planning your garden, so that when March arrives you are all ready to get planting!

Last year, CF employee Bea Trickett used Community Forklift windows, plywood, 2x4s, and old bike tubes (to make a tighter seal) to build a cold frame for starting seeds earlier in the spring (around March 1st). It cost \$20 altogether, and holds 10 flats of plants--meaning she didn't have to buy anyone else's over-priced seedlings for her veggie garden!



Customer Robin Buck's condo garden kept expanding, and Community Forklift was able to help her maximize space in her container garden of herbs and various peppers. Robin stacked slates, cinder blocks, and 2x12s in a tiered arrangement that greatly improved her old flat concrete pad. She says, "The new shelves allow for a cantilevered arrangement of pots...Much more room for a bountiful harvest!"



If you have used CF materials to make a project you're particularly proud of, please email Bea@communityforklift.com and you could be featured in a future newsletter or on the [Customer Creations](#) section of our website!

GREEN POWER!

You know, your donations and purchases enable

How long have you worked at CF and what's your favorite part of the job?

Aaron: I started this summer to replace Chris Milmo's haircut with an equally outrageous moustache. We both drive the truck. I like getting buff lifting heavy-objects.

Where are you from & what brought you to DC?

A: I'm from Pickens, South Carolina, in the mountains, and went to Clemson University there. I moved up here to do Environmental Engineering in Manassas, VA but got laid-off with the housing-bubble-burst. (Which led to a great 3-month vacation.)

What do you do at home in your back yard?

A: Work in the shop, test ride freak-bikes, drink cold beverages, and dream about wearing cutoffs in the summer, and garden.

How many bikes do you have?

A: I have a nice Trek 410 setup for racing, an older Raleigh for around-towning, and a fixed-gear conversion.

And?

A: I ride a yellow tall bike, 6' tall, 5-speed everywhere throughout the city. And a 8' long, 6' high garbage chopper that's pretty dangerous, a small-tall, a polo bike, and some other projects.

What's your favorite bike to ride & why?

A: The tall bike, it does everything and with elegance.

How many cups of coffee do you drink per day?

A: One pot, to get the day started.

What's your favorite beverage?

A: Spicy Blenheim Ginger Ale from SC; spiced up with some

Community Forklift to do great things, including creating green jobs and helping build the local green economy!

Community Forklift was one of the sponsors of last weekend's "Green Power Awakening," a roundtable discussion about building a greener economy in Prince George's County. It was a great event! [You can read more about it in Tuesday's Gazette at this link.](#)

What might a green economy look like? Here are some examples:

- * Jobs that help build or retrofit homes and buildings to be more energy efficient, or use renewable energy solutions
- * Deconstruction of unwanted buildings, and reuse of building materials, instead of bulldozing and landfilling (i.e. expand the work of groups like Community Forklift)
- * Smart business and personal choices in energy use
- * Smart growth policies for land use
- * Expanded mass transit
- * Manufacturing of green-economy related products
- * Education and training related to green jobs

Our very own Outreach Director, Ruthie Mundell, spoke about the importance of supporting the region's young green businesses. With volunteer help from Curtis Stoltzfus (research extraordinaire), she presented a list of **SIXTY-SEVEN(!) green businesses currently operating in Prince George's County!!** Find out who they are and what they do at www.communityforklift.com/greenbiz.cfm

We eventually would like to expand this list to include the rest of the DC region! If your local business is committed to green practices, or provides green products or services, please contact Ruthie at 301-985-5180 or Ruthie@CommunityForklift.com to be added to the list!

In Other News...

- * Looking for a **green gift for your sweetheart this Valentine's Day?** Check out some suggestions on [Co-op America's website!](#)
- * There are some **interesting lectures**

additions.

What have you bought from Community Forklift?

A: A slew of tools, a pew or two, a picnic bench, van roof racks for my coup, lumber and metal for projects.

To find out what kind of materials we accept and how schedule a pickup appointment, [visit our website!](#)

Aaron can be reached by email at Aaron@communityforklift.com

or by phone at
301-832-0780

coming up at the [National Building Museum](#). For example, on Feb. 9, Dana Bourland, senior director of Green Communities for Enterprise Community Partners, presents the organization's national initiative to bring the economic, environmental, and health benefits of green building to affordable housing.

* [The Green Building Institute](#) has some **great workshops** too! In February, they include: Zero Energy Homes, Intro to Geothermal Energy Systems, Living Without Oil, and Costs and Benefits of Deconstruction.



Offer!

Fill out this coupon and bring it in to receive a QUART OF OLD PAINT!!

(Coupon applies only to CF quarts usually priced at \$2 -- does not include Nature Neutral, new paint, or stain)



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

Name: _____

Zip code: _____

While supplies last.

One discount per household - may not be combined with other offers or used more than once. Not valid toward consignment items. Valid on purchases made 2-4-09 thru 2-28-09.

[Forward email](#)

✉ [SafeUnsubscribe®](#)

This email was sent to ruthie@communityforklift.com by info@communityforklift.com.
[Update Profile/Email Address](#) | Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Privacy Policy](#).

Email Marketing by



Community Forklift, A Project of SCI | 4671 Tanglewood Drive | Edmonston | MD | 20781