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Hyattsville, MD 20781
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Hours: Wednesday 12-7
Thurs-Sat 9-5

Coming to Community Forklift....

We are planning to open another store within the store here at CF in the coming months. This specialty area will offer vintage building materials and related accessories. For example, we plan to have antique light fixtures, old wooden mantels, vintage hardware and tools, decorative items and much, much more!

Have an idea for a good name for this area? Send us your clever contribution - if we use it, we'll give you a **\$50 gift certificate!!**

Send entries to info@communityforklift.com.
Stay tuned for updates of our progress!

May Sales!

50% off Stainless Steel Sinks!

All salvaged stainless steel sinks are half off marked prices. Sale does not include new/surplus sinks, bathroom sinks, or sinks without a Forklift price tag.

50% off all "orphan" kitchen cabinets

Take half off the marked price on all single, salvaged kitchen cabinets. Sale does not include other furniture, sets of cabinets, or cabinets without a Forklift price tag.



\$1 bathtubs

All bathtubs with marked prices of \$15 or less are now only a dollar! Get creative - turn them into animal troughs, planters, or ponds. Sale does not include claw-foot tubs or tubs without a Forklift price tag.

25% off Specialty Fixed Windows

Take 25% off the marked price on all round, oval, curved, angled, and non-rectangular fixed windows. Sale does not include skylights, bay windows, stained glass, decorative glass, or windows without a Forklift price tag.

Upcoming Workshops!

Class size is limited, please RSVP to reserve a spot!

Please note date change in May workshop:

How to diagnose and repair a leaky water wasting toilet, taught by Plumber YB Leaky
Now Saturday May 16,
 2-4pm

Working with Tools and Materials 101 (For Women)

by Nancy Meyer and Jamie Moorby

Sunday June 14, 3-5pm

**Limited Space
 Pre-Registration and
 Pre-payment Required**

\$15 per person workshop fee

(\$17 if using Paypal to cover their fee)

[Click here to sign up, and for more details!](#)

If you or someone you know would like to facilitate a workshop teaching some aspect of working with reused materials, please contact Bea Trickett at bea@communityforklift.com

NEW WOOD CUTTING POLICY, effective June 1st!

Due to safety concerns, customers may no longer cut lumber with power tools on our premises!



Permanently Lowered Prices on Toilets!

CF toilets now sell for only \$15 for regular white toilets, and \$20 for colored toilets!



We hate to have to say this, but don't bother scratching price tags off! Any item without a price tag is not eligible for the May sales.

Our second workshop!

How to re-wire a simple light fixture

On Sunday April 26, 10 participants took part in Community Forklift's second workshop in our spring "how-to" series. Volunteer Dave Roeder facilitated a great workshop during which participants learned the basics of wiring & re-wiring sockets, looked at a number of old and new light fixtures in CF's collection, and saw how most fixtures are connected with interchangeable parts. Everyone enjoyed themselves, and learned a very useful new skill!

If you missed the workshop but would like to obtain some of the handouts, please contact Bea@communityforklift.com



Dave explains how a fixture connects to a ceiling box

If your lumber won't fit on your vehicle, you have two options:

1) You may cut it ***with a hand saw AFTER you pay for it.*** You must finish cutting at least 15 minutes before closing time.

2) ***For \$2.00 per cut,*** our staff can make rough cuts (not rips) in dimensional lumber (not plywood).

The cutting service will only be available when we are fully staffed. You must choose your lumber, pay, and request cuts at least 45 minutes before closing time. Otherwise, you may be asked to stack it and return for it later.

Thank you for understanding!

They Want Your Pants! Local Denim Drive is Back



Last year, Amicus Green Building Center collected over 75,000 square feet of used jeans. It was turned into UltraTouch insulation for over 80 Habitat for Humanity houses in the recovering Gulf Coast.

This year, it's even bigger. Working with Habitat Restore of Montgomery County, Cotton Inc, and National Geographic, they're aiming to set a Guinness World Record.

When: April 24th - June 15th



Dave's collection of lamp parts, new & old



Workshop participants examine how wires and sockets are connected in lamp fixtures

Wow, Great Stories!

Thanks to everyone who responded to our request for interviews for a White House video on green businesses. We are still waiting to hear if we'll be selected for a segment, so we'll keep you posted!

In the meantime, I just wanted to share some of the testimonials we received. Thanks to your donations and purchases, Community Forklift really does "lift" our community! Listen to this:

Camille N., a DC homeowner, says:

In just two months, Community Forklift has saved me almost \$2000, minimized my contributions to the landfill, and changed my outlook on breathing new life into my own old but still functional materials and equipment. Overwhelmed by the cost to repair my 100-year old home, CF's super-affordable prices make my necessary repairs possible.

Unlike traditional home improvement centers, CF sells remnants so that I can buy only what I need to "consume" for my project (e.g., plywood, molding), reducing debris and waste from my project.

Buying salvaged materials and tools has changed my outlook on repairing and reusing existing materials and equipment. What I once saw as broken, out-dated or imperfect in my house, I now think about how I can repair, reuse and extend the life of functional but

Drop off your used jeans at Amicus anytime during this drive. They are located at:
**4080A Howard Ave
 Kensington, Maryland 20895**

Another local collection point is the TPSS Co-op (Takoma Park location)
201 Ethan Allen Ave

If you would like a collection bin for your school, office, church/synagogue, or other organization, please contact us info@amicusgreen.com

Changes in Nature Neutral Product Inventory

Effective immediately, Community Forklift is no longer carrying or tinting the American Pride line of paint.



We will continue to carry a select inventory of Nature Neutral cleaning and gardening products. Please call us or visit the warehouse to find out whether the specific product you're looking for is currently in stock. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

The paint is still available through Amicus Green Building Center (<http://www.amicusgreen.com>).

less-than-perfect materials and equipment.

Kelley Ellsworth, Executive Director of a local nonprofit, says:

Byte Back is a nonprofit which provides computer and job training to low-income adults and at-risk youth. In December we received a \$40,000 grant to renovate our building. Given the economy, we decided to be as frugal as possible. We got donated paint from Community Forklift and had three painting days which brought in a total of 25 volunteers donating a day of their time. We hired a contractor to install a wheelchair accessible bathroom. We did quite a bit of aesthetic work on our basement classroom. When it came time to carpet the room, we again turned to Community Forklift. They donated thousands of dollars of lovely surplus carpet tiles for our classroom.

Thanks to our volunteers and the in-kind donations from Community Forklift, our renovation came in almost \$10,000 under budget. The foundation that gave the grant has allowed us to transfer those funds to needed operating support.

Due to the economy, our classes all had waiting lists. Thanks to the additional funds, and the fact that our basement classroom has improved so much, we are now able to almost double the number of classes we can provide to our students. Community Forklift made a critical difference in helping us to better serve those who are seeking to retrain for employment.

Community Forklift still needs your material donations!

Are you cleaning out your garage or basement? Think about whether someone could re-use your leftover materials before you haul them to the dump!

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

communityforklift.com/pickups.cfm

or give our Donations Coordinator (Meghan) a call at:
301-832-0781

Our box truck could be making a trip to your neighborhood this week!



Offer!



Fill out this coupon and bring it in to receive a FREE POUND OF NAILS!!

(standard nails only - not applicable to spikes, screws or other hardware)

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 5-5-09 thru 5-31-09.

Cashier Initials: _____ Date Used: _____

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