

Are you fund-raising for your School, Charity or Organisation?

Raising money for any organisation can be difficult, time consuming and hard work. Here at **ARK TEXTILES** we feel that we are in a position to help you raise more money for your cause with minimum effort on your part.

How Can We Do This?

It's really simple: You earn cash for your school, charity or organisation by collecting all your unwanted clothing, shoes, bedding & curtains that are currently clogging up your cupboards and wardrobes (you know you've been meaning to have a clear out for ages!).

We can help you organise a clothing and textile collection at your school, club or village hall,. This may take the form of a one off collection on a given date convenient for you. Just ask everyone to bring along their unwanted clothing, shoes, bedding, curtains, belts and bags and even soft toys - the sort of stuff that they usually put into a charity bag or the recycle bin at the tip. We will arrive on that date, weigh the items on site and pay you the current rate per kilogram straight away: We will not keep you waiting to be paid.

We can also help you with ongoing collecting, say once a month, but you will need a suitable place (eg a dry secure garage or shed) to store the items prior to collection.

If you are having or have held a jumble sale or bring and buy and have similar items left over we can help you turn these into cash for your fund raiser, saving the need for some unfortunate person to have to take them away and store them for 'the next time'.

In fact we can tailor a collection to suit you. Contact us to discuss your requirements.

FAQ's

“I normally just send my unwanted things to the local charity shop”

Many more clothes are donated than charity shops can handle, charities have a real problem knowing what to do with surplus clothes as only 10-20% of the clothes collected in charity shops are sold in Britain to be worn again. This is where textile recyclers come in. Clothing is sorted and graded, packaged up and sent abroad to countries where they are desperately needed. The charities get something out of it and so do people in poor countries, so everybody's happy.

Why Recycle?

Over 1 million tonnes of textiles are thrown away every year, mostly from domestic sources, of which only 25% are recycled. Discarded clothing and shoes are typically sent to landfill. Textiles present particular problems in landfill. Synthetic (man-made fibres) products do not decompose. Woolen garments do decompose, but in doing so they produce methane, which contributes to global warming and climate change.

Textile recycling in the UK provides affordable source of clothing to disadvantaged people in the developing world and emerging countries in Eastern Europe. In many of these countries it also provides the basis of economic growth by providing employment for much of the population.

So by recycling your unwanted textile goods, you are helping provide jobs in the UK and abroad as well as diverting resources from landfill.

Did you know...

Over 70% of the worlds population uses second hand clothes.

About Us

We are **ARK TEXTILES**; a family run, locally based company, with over fifty years experience in the textile trade and now in its third generation. We aim to work with the local community, employing local people and supporting causes which are important to **You**.

Contact us for more information on how we can help you raise money from your unwanted goods

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