Collection Center Program

Become a partner with Illinois AMVETS

Host a collection center
Join us to help support Illinois veterans, their families & communities

Who does it help?
Veterans and their families.

The Illinois AMVETS has been around since 1944. Their programs helps veterans in their communities. Whether it is conducting rehabilitation services for veterans in VA hospitals or sponsoring activities for disabled veterans, the Illinois AMVETS takes pride in continuing to serve those who were willing to give all for our freedom.

74.4 cents of every dollar goes directly to veterans.

How does hosting a collection center help the charity?
Your business can do its part to support Illinois veterans simply by hosting a collection center on its property.

- Visibility for the Illinois AMVETS
- Education and information readily available about the charity
- Consistent line of income to support Illinois AMVETS, which allows the charity to use its resources and volunteers directly towards programs instead of fundraising
- Community interaction

Contact us to learn more about how your business can host a collection center.
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How does it work?
Your business commits to hosting a collection center on its property. That's it.

- We provide the equipment.
- We keep it clean.
- We provide the staff needed.

What are the advantages for your business?
- Visible support of a local charity
- Draws potential customers to your location
- Textile recyclers contribute to the revenue base of local government
- Community involvement
- Another set of watchful eyes from on-site attendant during hours (Someone on-site 7 days a week for 68-72 hours)
- Actively keeps the site clean
- Provides a service to your current customers who have a desire to donate their excess goods

What is collected?
- Clothing
- Shoes
- Small household appliances
- Miscellaneous good

Donations are tax-deductible and donors receive a receipt.

Options.
We have the right size for your property!

Option 1
- One “low-profile” half-sized trailer
  8’ wide x 24’ long x 10.5’ tall
  Includes steps for ingress and egress
- One warming hut
  4’x4’ foot print for on-site attendant
  No electric or water is needed
  Kerosene heater used in winter (OSHA approved)
- Night drop box
  4’x4’ foot print for after-hours donations

Option 2
- One “mini” trailer
  8’ wide x 12’ tall
  Includes steps for ingress and egress
- One warming hut
  4’x5’ for on-site attendant
  No electric or water is needed
  Kerosene heater used in winter (OSHA approved)
- Trailer is equipped with a night drop chute for after-hours donations

Textile Recycling Facts
Discarded textile product waste comprises about 4.5% of the residential waste stream, which translates into a startling 8.75 billion pounds in the United States alone. Textile recyclers remove 2.5 billion pounds of discarded textile product waste.

Recyclers purchase these raw materials from charitable institutions that, in turn, use these funds to provide consistent funding for their charity mission.