



It feels great to donate



Your donations make the world of difference to the children we help in Romania's poorest communities

FARA
Charity Shops

Donation guide



What we can accept:

We are always hugely grateful for your pre-loved items such as good quality clothes, shoes, accessories, books, bric-a-brac, as well as children's toys and baby equipment.

When you donate to FARA's charity shops, you are helping to fund our programmes which transform the lives of disadvantaged children and young people – and you're also doing your bit towards a sustainable future for our planet.

So if you're having a clear-out, editing your wardrobe, moving house or looking for a good home for clothes your children have grown out of, please get in touch – you can drop off your items with the friendly local team at all of our London stores.

Please help us by ensuring your donations are:

- **Clean** - nothing soiled, rusty or mouldy please
- **High quality** - good enough to sell
- **Complete** - full sets, working order only

Please note that FARA is not able to sell everything. WE CAN ONLY SELL ITEMS THAT ARE CLEAN, COMPLETE AND IN GOOD CONDITION.

We are not allowed to sell some items such as car seats for safety reasons. Disposing of unsaleable goods costs FARA more than £100,000 every year.

Please don't forget to Gift Aid your donations! Gift Aid adds an extra 25% to the proceeds of your sale, so it's a really easy way to make your donation go further.

If you have a question about your donation or Gift Aid, please contact us. Your local shop manager can also advise on opening times and parking. You can find contact details for all our stores here: www.faracharity.org/fara-shop/find-a-shop/

Alternatively you can contact us at our head office, which is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. Telephone **020 8973 0910** or email us at mail@faracharityshops.org

Do you have items that are unsuitable for FARA?

No problem! Opposite you will find helpful ideas about what to do with your hard to recycle items.

The good news is that many items that we can't sell can be **repaired, shared or recycled locally** - take a look at our guide opposite.

Please respect our shop staff if they are unable to accept these items when you visit the store.

No thank you	Try this instead...
Duvets 	• Recycle at select Dunelm stores dunelm.com (bedlinen and textiles accepted too) • Freepost down duvets to Re:Down. Details at alpkit.com (no feather or synthetic duvets) • Share on sites such as Freegle, Freecycle, Olio • Use filling for crafting projects
Mattresses 	• Donate to British Heart Foundation bhf.org.uk (free collection) • Share on sites such as Freegle, Freecycle, Olio • Ask about a take-back scheme when buying a new mattress from a retailer • Book a bulky waste collection from your local council
Car seats, booster seat 	• Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Cycle helmets 	• Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Broken toys, baby equipment, prams, cribs 	• Repair for a donation at a local repair cafe therestartproject.org/parties/ • Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Large furniture 	• Donate to British Heart Foundation bhf.org.uk (free collection) • Book a bulky waste collection from your local council
Broken electricals (small) 	• Repair for a donation at a local repair cafe therestartproject.org/parties/ • Recycle at John Lewis and Currys (no new purchase necessary) • Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre

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White goods 	• Share on sites such as Freecycle, Freecycle, Olio • Ask about a take-back scheme when buying a new mattress from a retailer • Book a bulky waste collection from your local council
CDs/DVDs 	• Discover reviveinnovations.design - a company who turn unwanted CDs into furniture • Share on sites such as Freecycle, Freecycle, Olio • Sell to musicmaggie.co.uk, zapper.co.uk • Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Broken bikes 	• Repair for a donation at a local repair cafe therestartproject.org/parties/ • Donate to thebikeproject.co.uk • Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Hangers 	• Return wire hangers to drycleaners • Return hangers to the store they come from • Share on sites such as Freecycle, Freecycle, Olio • Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Chipped ceramics, glass vases 	• Repair for a donation at a local repair cafe therestartproject.org/parties/ • Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre
Prescription glasses 	• Recycle glasses and sunglasses at Specsavers specsavers.co.uk • Post glasses, sunglasses, goggles to recycline.co.uk
Fire extinguishers, gas canisters, paint pots 	• Dispose of at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre

More information available at: www.recyclenow.com or www.londonrecycles.co.uk

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