

# OP SHOPS

## *in the West*

Your guide to buying from and donating to your local op shops



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# Benefits of second hand clothing

## 1. Reduce your environmental impact

The fashion industry is responsible for 8% of all carbon emissions and 20% of global wastewater. Did you know 60% of clothing sold globally contains synthetic fabrics such as polyester, nylon and acrylic? These fibres are made from oil and leach microplastics into our waterways with every wash. When blended with organic fibres such as cotton they make the product difficult to recycle and impossible to biodegrade.

The average Australian buys 56 items of clothing each year, most of which are made from unsustainable, non-durable materials that eventually end up in landfill. Clothing waste has become one of the largest contributors to Australia's waste crisis, with more than 200,000 tonnes of clothing ending up in landfill every year.

## 2. Purchase items that will last

Fast fashion brands artificially shorten trend cycles, encouraging quick consumption and disposal. These items are produced with cheap fabrics, which tend to wear out quickly. Purchasing well-made second hand clothing from quality fabrics will last for much longer.

# Donating to op shops

When deciding to donate clothing to your local op shop, first ask yourself, 'Is this good enough to give to a friend?'

- Find out what items your local op shop will accept
- Ensure your donations are in good, clean, saleable condition
- Donate your items during the stores opening hours

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Source: Roadmap to clothing circularity: The vision and pathway for a just transition to a circular clothing economy in Australia by 2030, and Net Zero by 2050  
*Bailey, Basu and Sharma (2022) The Environmental Impacts of Fast Fashion on Water Quality: A Systematic Review*

# Tips for buying second hand

**1 Be patient** – give yourself plenty of time to search through clothing racks and explore bookshelves.

**2 Be prepared** – If you're shopping for furniture, bring a measuring tape and know the dimensions of the room you want to place the item.

**3 Think outside the season** – If you come across a great coat, but it's the middle of summer, buy it!

**4 Visit often** – Chances are you won't find that vintage chair or designer bag on your first visit. Visit often! You're more likely to find the piece you are looking for.

**5 Always try it on** – Most op shops do not allow returns, so make sure everything fits.

**6 Reimagine items** – It's not likely you'll stumble across exactly what you are looking for, so think about sanding back and painting furniture, altering clothing or adding cushions/accessories.

**7 Look for quality** – It's important to look for quality fabrics and well-made items as they will last for much longer.

## Brotherhood of St Laurence

Shop 1,  
112-116 Westwood Drive,  
Deer Park

T 9361 2180

W [stores.bsl.org.au/our-locations/deer-park/-burnside](http://stores.bsl.org.au/our-locations/deer-park/-burnside)

☑ Clothing, furniture, books, music, bric-a-brac, toys

## Goss n' Shop

100 Anderson Road,  
Sunshine

T 9311 0253

W [opshop.org/details/Gossn-Shop-Sunshine](http://opshop.org/details/Gossn-Shop-Sunshine)

☑ Clothing, bric-a-brac

## Helping Hands Mission

85 Hampshire Road,  
Sunshine

T 1300 892 010

W [helpinghandmission.org.au/op-shops](http://helpinghandmission.org.au/op-shops)

☑ Clothing, furniture, books, homewares

## Salvos - Deer Park

Lot 2 Westwood Drive,  
Deer Park

T 9360 5266

W [salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3023-deer-park-112](http://salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3023-deer-park-112)

☑ Homewares, clothing and electrical goods

## Salvos - Derrimut

7/20 Mt Derrimut Road,  
Derrimut

T 8390 6665

W [salvationarmy.org.au/locations/victoria/ss714/salvos-stores-derrimut/](http://salvationarmy.org.au/locations/victoria/ss714/salvos-stores-derrimut/)

☑ Clothing, homewares, electrical goods, furniture, mattresses

## Salvos - Sunshine

Shop 6, 147 Harvester Road,  
Sunshine

T 9311 5607

W [salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3020-sunshine-921](http://salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3020-sunshine-921)

☑ Clothing, homewares, electrical goods, furniture, mattresses

## Salvos - Taylors Lakes

2/460 Melton Hwy,  
Taylors Lakes

T 8390 8407

W [salvationarmy.org.au/locations/victoria/ss329/salvos-stores-taylors-lakes/](http://salvationarmy.org.au/locations/victoria/ss329/salvos-stores-taylors-lakes/)

☑ Clothing, homewares, toys, electrical goods, furniture, mattresses

## Vinnies - Derrimut

Unit 25, 20 Mt Derrimut  
Road, Derrimut

T 8199 4238

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-derrimut](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-derrimut)

☑ Clothing, homewares

## Vinnies - St Albans

71 Main Road West,  
St Albans

T 9366 2590

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-st-albans](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-st-albans)

☑ Homewares, clothing

## Vinnies - Sunshine

56 Station Place, Sunshine

T 9311 3448

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-sunshine](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-sunshine)

☑ Homewares, clothing, electrical goods and furniture



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## Salvos

1&2/308  
Kororoit Creek Road,  
Williamstown

T 9399 8163

W salvosstores.com.  
au/stores/vic/3016-  
williamstown-117

☑ Clothes, homewares,  
books, toys

## St Eanswythe's Anglican Church Op Shop

111-121 Queen Street, Altona

W [anglicanaltlv.org.au/op-shop/](http://anglicanaltlv.org.au/op-shop/)

☑ Homewares, bric-a-brac

## Vinnies - Altona

95-99 Dohertys Road,  
Altona North

T 9267 2804

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-altona-north](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-altona-north)

☑ Homewares, clothing,  
furniture

## Vinnies - Newport

3/5 Mason Street , Newport

T 9391 7090

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-newport](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-newport)

☑ Homewares, clothing

## Williamstown Hospital Opportunity Shop

47 Ferguson Street,  
Williamstown

T 9397 8484

W [westernhealth.org.au/Foundation/LatestNews/Pages/Williamstown-Hospital-Opportunity-Shop.aspx](http://westernhealth.org.au/Foundation/LatestNews/Pages/Williamstown-Hospital-Opportunity-Shop.aspx)

☑ Books, homewares,  
bric-a-brac

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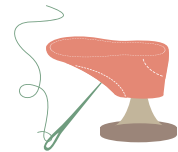
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## Tips

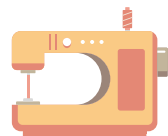
### Don't be put off by small defects

- especially if they are easy to fix
- Eg - replacing the sole or heel of a shoe.



### Invest in a sewing machine.

A simple hem adjustment or taking in a garment is quick and easy with a sewing machine.



## Gathering Threads

582A Barkly Street,  
West Footscray

T 0450 179 737

W [gatheringthreads.com.au/](http://gatheringthreads.com.au/)

☑ Clothing

## Green Collect - Braybrook

1/75A Ashley Street,  
Braybrook

T 9663 8843 (extension 1)

W [greencollect.org/yarraville-braybrook-qvm](http://greencollect.org/yarraville-braybrook-qvm)

☑ Furniture, electronics,  
stationary

## Green Collect - Yarraville

71 Anderson Street,  
Yarraville

T 9314 4987

W [greencollect.org/yarraville-braybrook-qvm](http://greencollect.org/yarraville-braybrook-qvm)

☑ Clothing

## Missionpoint

154 Somerville Road,  
Yarraville

T 9314 1787

W [pilgrimchurchyarraville.org.au/op-shop/](http://pilgrimchurchyarraville.org.au/op-shop/)

☑ Clothing, homewares,  
music, vintage goods,  
bric-a-brac

## Salvos

296 Ballarat Road,  
Braybrook

T 9311 0124

W [salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3019-braybrook-118](http://salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3019-braybrook-118)

☑ Homewares, furniture,  
clothing

## Savers

33 Albert Street, Footscray

T 9689 6811

W [join.savers.com.au/](http://join.savers.com.au/)

### Sign up to Super Savers Club

- **Savers Sundays** - 20% discount (students)
- **Mondays** - 20% discount for seniors

T&Cs apply

☑ Clothing, furniture,  
homewares, books, music,  
bric-a-brac

## The Op Shop

592 Barkly Street,  
West Footscray

W [opshop.org/details/5186](http://opshop.org/details/5186)

☑ Clothing, homewares

## Uniting Yarraville

9 Anderson Street, Yarraville

T 9687 6307

W [unitingvictas.org.au/locations/yarraville-9-anderson-street/](http://unitingvictas.org.au/locations/yarraville-9-anderson-street/)

☑ Clothing, homewares,  
books

## Vinnies - Braybrook

5/296 Ballarat Road,  
Braybrook

T 8199 4235

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-braybrook](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-braybrook)

☑ Furniture, clothing

## Vinnies - Footscray

160 Barkly Street, Footscray

T 8199 4240

W [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-footscray](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-footscray)

☑ Homewares, clothes



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## A1 Stuff

Shop 6 Wallace Square  
Melton

**M** 0425 710 715 (Gary)

**E** enquiries@a1stuff.com.au

**W** a1stuff.com.au/

 Secondhand furniture,  
electrical & jewellery


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## CCCM Op Shop

98 Coburns Road,  
Melton South

**T** 9747 6811

**W** facebook.com/  
CCCMSHOP

 Clothing, homewares,  
electronics, furniture,  
accessories, toys

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## Earth Village Op Shop

43 Unitt Street, Melton

**T** 1300 525 332

**E** evopshop@earthvillage.  
org.au

**W** earthvillage.org.au/  
evopshop

 Clothing, shoes,  
accessories

## Melton Recycling Facility - Resale Shop

33 Ferris Road, Cobblebank

**W** www.melton.vic.gov.au/  
MRF

 Furniture, electronics,  
bicycles, building  
products, toys, furniture,  
books, music, clothing,  
shoes, accessories,  
homewares, gardening,  
leisure goods


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## Melton Uniting Op Shop

Factory 4/86 High Street,  
Melton

**T** 9051 5060

**W** unitingvictas.org.au/  
locations/melton-op-  
shop/

 Books, music, toys,  
clothing, homewares


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## MS Community Shop - Melton

53 Bakery Square, Melton

**T** 9747 8200

**W** msplus.org.au/how-you-  
can-help/visit-our-ms-  
community-shops


 Homewares, clothes,  
books, toys

## Salvos Stores Melton

Unit 2/86-88 High Street,  
Melton

**T** 9743 0335

**W** salvosstores.com.  
au/stores/vic/3337-  
melton-106

 Clothing, bric-a-brac &  
homewares, books, toys,  
music, furniture, new  
mattresses

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## Vinnies Melton

45 Wallace Square, Melton

**T** 9743 0942

**E** melton.centre@svdp-  
vic.  
org.au

**W** vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/  
vinnies-melton

 Homewares, clothing,  
toys, electrical goods,  
mattresses and furniture



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dispose of unwanted household items in Melton, visit  
[www.melton.vic.gov.au/wasteAZ](http://www.melton.vic.gov.au/wasteAZ)



## All Saints Opportunity Shop

215 Union Road, Ascot Vale

**M** 0414 001 787

**W** [ascotvaleanglican.com/opshop/](http://ascotvaleanglican.com/opshop/)

- ☑ Clothing, homewares, toys games, jewellery, books

## Australian Red Cross

64 Puckle Street,  
Moonee Ponds

**T** 9966 3651

**W** [redcross.org.au/places/retail-stores/moonee-ponds/](http://redcross.org.au/places/retail-stores/moonee-ponds/)

- ☑ Clothing & accessories

## Brotherhood of St Laurence

24 Margaret Street,  
Moonee Ponds

**T** 9375 3551

**W** [stores.bsl.org.au/our-locations/moonee-ponds](http://stores.bsl.org.au/our-locations/moonee-ponds)

- ☑ Clothing, electrical, furniture, books, homewares, bric-a-brac

## Helping Hands Mission & Gaye's Vintage Shop

14 McIntosh Street,  
Airport West

**T** 1300 892 010

**W** [helpinghandsmission.org.au/op-shops](http://helpinghandsmission.org.au/op-shops)

- ☑ Clothing, furniture, books, homewares, bric-a-brac, toys, vintage gowns, shoes, homewares

## Moonee Ponds Lifeline Shop

40 Puckle Street,  
Moonee Ponds

**T** 9969 2222

**W** [lifelinedirect.org.au/westernmelbourne/shops/moonee-ponds](http://lifelinedirect.org.au/westernmelbourne/shops/moonee-ponds)

- ☑ Clothing, manchester, books, toys

## Rotary Club of Flemington Opportunity Shop

444 Racecourse Road,  
Flemington

**M** 0402 752 257

**W** [rotaryflemington.org.au/sitepage/opportunity-shops](http://rotaryflemington.org.au/sitepage/opportunity-shops)

- ☑ Clothing, accessories

## Salvos - Niddrie

4/302 Keilor Road, Niddrie

**T** 9374 2627

**W** [salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3041-niddrie-116](http://salvosstores.com.au/stores/vic/3041-niddrie-116)

- ☑ Clothing, electrical, furniture, books, homewares, bric-a-brac

## Vinnies - Ascot Vale

155 Maribyrnong Road,  
Ascot Vale

**T** 9370 3443

**W** [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-ascot-vale](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-ascot-vale)

- ☑ Homewares, clothing, electrical goods, mattresses, furniture

## Vinnies - Niddrie

481A Keilor Road, Niddrie

**T** 9379 3454

**W** [vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-niddrie](http://vinnies.org.au/vic/shops/vinnies-niddrie)

- ☑ Homewares, clothing, electrical goods



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## Brotherhood of Saint Lawrence

19 Elm Park Drive,  
Hoppers Crossing

T 9749 2205

W [stores.bsl.org.au](http://stores.bsl.org.au)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, Toys, bric-a-brac, books, CDs, furniture, electrical, homewares

## Hidden Treasure Op Shop

2 Kilmarnock Court,  
Hoppers Crossing

T 9973 1560

W [hidden-treasure-op-shop.business.site/](http://hidden-treasure-op-shop.business.site/)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, toys, bric-a-brac, books, music, furniture, electrical, homewares

## Salvos - Hoppers Crossing

1/174-180 Old Geelong Road,  
Hoppers Crossing

T 9748 5433

W [salvosstores.com.au](http://salvosstores.com.au)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, toys, bric-a-brac, books, music, furniture, electrical, homewares

## Salvos - Tarneit

4/640 Leakes Road, Tarneit

T 9748 8796

W [salvosstores.com.au](http://salvosstores.com.au)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, Toys, bric-a-brac, books, music, furniture, electrical, homewares

## Salvos - Werribee

84 Synnot Street, Werribee

T 9742 5097

W [salvosstores.com.au](http://salvosstores.com.au)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, toys, bric-a-brac, books, music, furniture, electrical, homewares

## Uniting Op Shop

39 Watton Street, Werribee

T 9051 2090

W [unitingvictas.org.au/locations/werribee-39-watton-street](http://unitingvictas.org.au/locations/werribee-39-watton-street)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, bric-a-brac, books, homewares, toys

## Vinnies - Hoppers Crossing

12/10 Costas Drive,  
Hoppers Crossing

T 9748 5010

W [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, Toys, bric-a-brac, books, music, furniture, electrical, homewares, manchester

## Werribee Rotary Op Shop

2/135 Railway Ave, Werribee

M 0435 987 083

W [werribeerotary.org.au](http://werribeerotary.org.au)

- ☑ Clothing/accessories, toys, bric-a-brac, homewares, books, music



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