

Textiles

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Seneca partners with Diabetes Canada, the City of Markham and the Township of King to provide textile donation bins on campus. The bins allow the Seneca community to donate unwanted clothing, bedding, towels, drapes, shoes and more to help divert textile waste from landfills.

Textile donation bin locations

King Campus

- Parking Lot D
- Residence, next to the main entrance



Markham Campus

- Parking lot

Newnham Campus

- Building B, near the second-floor entrance
- Outside Fire Training Centre

Seneca@York Campus

- In front of the cafeteria

Textile Diversion in the School of Fashion

Seneca's **School of Fashion** is working to reduce the amount of unwanted clothing that ends up in landfills. Activities have included:

- exhibitions by students throughout the academic year,
- donation bins
- diverse presentations on sustainability by industry experts
- industry partnerships
- a "pre-loved" section of clothing and accessories in The Boutique
- clothing swap
- the integration of sustainability in fashion programs.

In addition, various research involving students on textile waste has been done by Sabine Weber, Professor, School of Fashion. The research has increased our knowledge and understanding of consumer behaviour in regard to textile consumption and how consumers behave with discarding of their garments whether they recycle, upcycle or discard. This supports social and environmental responsibility by increasing awareness of the impacts of, and alternatives to, textile disposal in landfills.

