

Building green means making choices about building or remodeling projects that reduce waste, conserve natural resources and create demand for recycled products.

Reuse Materials. Purchasing materials that have been removed from other buildings allows you to use high quality materials at prices substantially lower than new. It also keeps usable materials out of landfills.

Building Material Reuse

Many home improvement items are available. The following businesses sell used building materials, including beams, beams, belfries, cabinets, carpet, columns, doors (garage and home), fireplace mantels, lighting fixtures, plumbing supplies, hardware, windows (stained glass as well as clear), and wood flooring. Inventories vary. Call ahead if you are looking for something specific.

After a building or remodeling project, you may have leftover building material. Consider making usable materials or house fixtures available for others to use. It may be just what someone else is looking for.

| Business | Accept | Sell |
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| All State Salvage Older architectural items, staircases, plumbing, electrical, stained and leaded glass, moldings, fixtures, furniture, windows, interior and exterior doors and toilets; commercial and residential. | ✓ | ✓ |
| Architectural Antiques 1300 Quincy St NE, Minneapolis Restoration or salvage, commercial and residential. | ✓ | ✓ |
| Bauer Brothers Salvage 2532 2 nd Ave N, Minneapolis General building materials. | ✓ | ✓ |
| Better Homes & Garbage Minneapolis Salvage and sell reusable building materials; sell by appointment only www.bhsg.org/ | ✓ | ✓ |
| City Salvage Antiques 505 1 st Ave NE, Minneapolis Buy and sell high quality architectural antiques www.citysalvage.com | ✓ | ✓ |
| DeConstruction Services When remodeling or demolishing, deconstruct to keep materials out of the landfill. The Green Institute provides removal service of usable house fixtures and building materials from cabinet removal to full house dismantling. Customers may receive a tax deduction benefit for donating reusable house fixtures or building materials. Allow extra time at the beginning of your construction process. www.thegreencenter.com | dismantling services within a 30-mile radius | |
| Gilded Salvage Antiques 4430 Lyndale Ave N, Minneapolis Pre-1940s architectural items, lighting and hardware; mostly residential. Also buy and rent. www.gildedsalvage.com | ✓ | ✓ |
| Northwest Architectural Salvage 981 Selby Ave., St Paul Buy and sell architectural items, lighting, house hardware, shades, bathroom fixtures and doors. | call first | ✓ |
| ReUse Center Retail Store, The 1723 E Hwy 36, Maplewood Usable building, carpentry, electrical and quality reclaimed construction materials. www.thereusecenter.com | ✓ | ✓ |
| 2801 21 st Ave S, Minneapolis | ✓ | ✓ |