

NEW USES IS A HOME DÉCOR THRIFT SHOP FOR THE SMART CONSUMER

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New Uses, a Home Décor Thrift Store that promotes creative repurposing while offering a great way to save, is located at 4305 Westbrook Drive in Aurora (630/499-0500).

It is the perfect destination for those first time buyers who are furnishing their homes on a limited budget...or those needing to furnish kids' college apartments or dorm rooms... or those looking for a particular treasure... or those needing that one piece that will totally transform an existing room.



Unlike most thrift shops, furniture is in abundance. New Uses also partners with Ashley Furniture which provides some lightly used or even boxed items. Like most thrift shops, they do have an abundance of dishes, vases and knick-knacks. Every trip is a different experience. Prices are

moderate and there are regular sales.



One reviewer referred to the store's "hidden gems;" if buyers are in a hurry, they might miss out on something that can only be found by the person who will expend significant time to look around carefully for that very unique item. Some of the less expensive home décor, such as picture frames or glass vases, are

well worth the effort. Inventory is turned over quickly so on every shopping trip, customers may find nothing at all or lots that they can use.

For those who wish to sell their furniture, decorative pillows, art work and trendy items that no longer are wanted or needed, New Uses is the place to go. They prefer items in like new condition, but will take some things gently used that are still in style. For larger furniture items, call or email a description of the piece. The top five most wanted items are Brand Name Furniture (Ashley, Thomasville, Pottery Barn, etc.), Name Brand Home Décor (Pier 1, Crate & Barrel, Pottery Barn, etc.), Modern Wall Décor and Artwork (Mirrors of all types and size, Framed Paintings), Rugs, Lamps, Kitchen and Small Appliances, Current Electronics and Waterford Crystal.

Save a trip and your time; note that New Uses does not buy Beauty Accessories, Cell Phones, Electronics or Appliances older than 2010, Mattresses or Window Treatments.

Store amenities include a knowledgeable and friendly staff, a 10 day return policy for most items and cash payment on the spot for all items purchased from customers with no pre-arranged appointment.

An on-line coupon traditionally offers ten percent off any purchase.

Hours of operation are 10 AM to 8 PM, Monday through Saturday, 11 AM to 6 PM Sunday. There is a private off-street parking lot, but be aware that because of the new location of Clothes Mentor right next door, weekend parking is often at a premium.