

The Nature of Giving

## The Big Issue With Fast Fashion



## What is Fast Fashion?

Fast fashion is a fashion industry approach where clothes are produced quickly and affordably to match current trends. It's concerning because it can harm the environment and workers due to its rapid production and disposal practices. By making an effort to recycle and reuse clothing, we can help reduce the negative impact of fast fashion and promote a more sustainable approach to fashion.

## How Does it Impact the Environment?

Fast fashion negatively impacts the environment in several ways. The fast fashion cycle encourages frequent purchases, which in turn demands more resources, energy, and water for production. It leads to overproduction, in which those excessive resources are used to create clothing that often ends up being discarded after only a few uses. This overproduction generates a massive amount of waste and pollution, from the manufacturing process to transportation and disposal. Moreover, the use of synthetic materials in fast fashion contributes to microplastic pollution in water bodies.

By embracing recycling and reusing clothing, we can disrupt the cycle of fast fashion.

## What Can We Do About This?

Recycling and reusing clothing can counter the harmful effects of fast fashion. By encouraging people to embrace second-hand clothing and donate unwanted items, we can reduce the demand for new, unsustainable garments. This approach lessens the environmental strain caused by excessive clothing production and encourages a more mindful and eco-friendly approach to fashion consumption.