

# salvage & deconstruction services



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The following businesses can provide building material salvage and deconstruction services.

### earthwise

[www.earthwise-salvage.com](http://www.earthwise-salvage.com)

(206) 624-4510

2462 First Ave South, Seattle, WA 98134

Retail outlet sells used buildings materials and vintage architectural salvage.

Will pay for certain materials.

### re-use consulting

[www.reuseconsulting.com](http://www.reuseconsulting.com)

(360) 201-6977

Consulting service and sales/brokering of salvaged materials.

### second use building materials

[www.seconduse.com](http://www.seconduse.com)

(206) 763-6929

7953 2nd Ave South, Seattle, WA 98108

Retail outlet sells used buildings materials and vintage architectural salvage.

Will pay for certain items.

### the re-store

[www.re-store.org](http://www.re-store.org)

(206) 297-9119

1440 NW 52nd Street, Seattle, WA 98107

Retail outlet sells used buildings materials and vintage architectural salvage. A non-profit organization. Will accept certain items in exchange for store credit or a tax-write-off.

### the reuse people of america

[www.thereusepeople.org](http://www.thereusepeople.org)

(206) 423-9789

PO Box 2655, Renton, WA 98056

Specializes in full deconstruction of residential homes. A non-profit organization.

salvage, reuse, and deconstruction consulting	accepts salvage	pickup available	salvage of select materials	partial or full deconstruction	tax donation receipts
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In a typical year, about 40% of Seattle's total garbage is construction and demolition debris. Most buildings include a number of items that are desirable for reuse. Salvaging materials helps reduce the impact of your project and keeps usable materials out of the landfill. It's helpful to know the definitions of salvage, deconstruction and recycling when considering which service works best for your project.

### Salvage

The removal of select materials from a building prior to demolition. These materials usually include higher-value building elements such as architectural features, cabinets, windows, doors (non-hollow core), and wood flooring.

### Deconstruction

The removal of materials included in the description of salvage above, as well as most or all dimensional lumber, lower-value doors, siding, and windows. Materials are removed in the opposite order in which they were installed, with a goal of maximizing reuse.

### Recycling

The collection and processing of materials, which are then used as raw materials for the manufacture of new products. The conventional demolition process usually renders building materials useless for salvage and even makes recycling difficult, due to contamination and mixing of materials. Recycling of demolition debris is often limited to low-value materials like concrete (ground into fill material) and wood (used as fuel).

See CAM #1302, Building Material Salvage and Recycling at [www.seattle.gov/dpd/publications](http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/publications). Click on Client Assistance Memos, CAMs from Other Departments, Seattle Public Utilities.

*For more information, please visit [www.seattle.gov/dpd/greenbuilding](http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/greenbuilding).*

- 1 Most buildings contain significant quantities of reusable dimensional lumber.
- 2 A load of salvaged dimensional lumber.
- 3 Select salvage typically includes removal of items such as cabinets, flooring, and architectural features.
- 4 Double-pane windows (be aware of energy efficiency and code restrictions).
- 5 Restoring gym flooring.
- 6 Solid wood doors add history and quality to a project.

*Photos courtesy of The RE Store, The Reuse People, and Second Use Building Materials.*

